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HUF HUF HUF
RICE
LIQUOR
NOT FOR A SATURDAY!
ISN'T IT A BIT EARLY ??
GOING HOME ALREADY ?
WHAT--?! MR. YOSHIYUKI!
For Stamina
HUF HUF
HI THERE!
THIS IS NO LAUGHING MATTER!
I HAVE TO GET HOME!
HMM... NEWLYWEDS, EH?
For Stamina

CHOP
CHOP
OH, MAKOTO... PLEASE HURRY HOME!
I'M READY FOR YOU!
SLAM
KLINK KLINK
OH, MAKOTO! YOU DID HURRY, YOU DID!
KANAE! IT'S ME! I'M BACK!
WOOOM
AND I FOR YOU!
OH, DARLING!
BAM

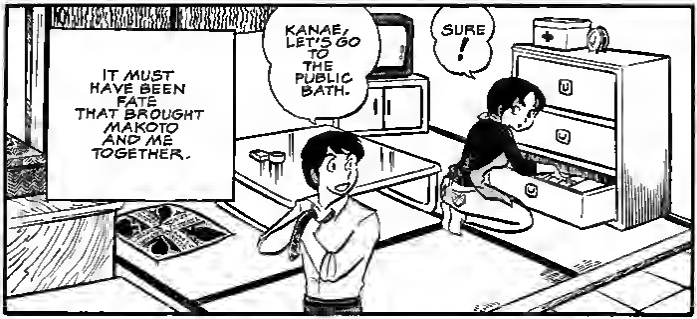
OH, KANAE!
VIP
VIP
VIP
OH, MAKOTO!
PIYO
PIYO
NOTHIN' TO IT!
SHP
CLOP
SHP
JUST A WARM-UP!
OH, YEAH?!!
HS
HS
VWOOM
KR
RASH
TAKE THIS!

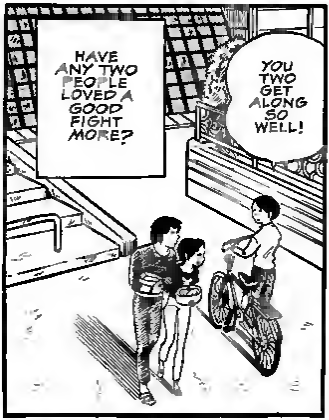
OH NO, THEY'VE STARTED ALREADY!
SMASH
SPLASH
WAAH! WAAH!
BOW WOW WOW
AND THIS!!
KA-POW
WHOOSH
BAMM
RATTLE RATTLE RATTLE
WHAM
SLAM
VOOP
GUAAAAA!

OOO.
TUP TUP
RUNK
AH.
WHEW! I DID IT!
BOOM
VOM P
TINKLE
KRIK
BASH
BASH
KUONG
I... I CAN'T TAKE IT... ANY MORE...
FWOOM P

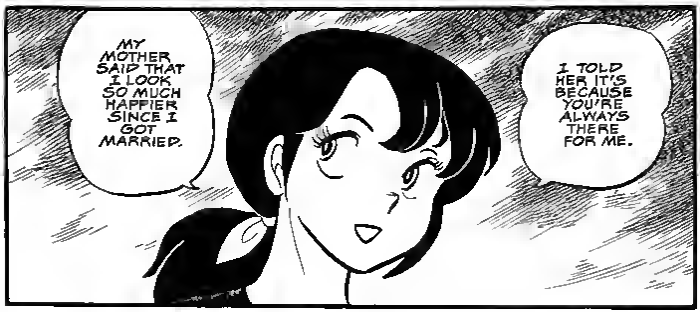
DOOM
WAAH! WAAAH!
WE'RE BOTH AWFULLY SORRY.
WELL, YOU SHOULD BE!
EVERY TIME YOU DO THIS, MY BABY STARTS CRYING!
AND BEFORE I CAN CALM HIM DOWN...
WAAAH! WAAH!
...THAT DOG ACROSS THE STREET STARTS BARKING!
AND THE BABY STARTS CRYING EVEN MORE!
DO YOU KNOW HOW FRUSTRATING THAT IS?!
WE ARE SO TERRIBLY SORRY
?
YOU'RE GOING TO PAY FOR MY BOWLS!
AND THE VASE THAT BROKE AT MY PLACE!
YES/M.

SLAM
WHEW!
LET'S CALCULATE TODAY'S EXPENSES.
2000 YEN FOR MRS. AKIYAMA'S BOWLS...
5000 YEN FOR MRS. INOUE'S VASE...
2205 YEN FOR MRS. UEDA'S GAS BILL...
OKAY... OKAY... OKAY...
WAIT A MINUTE. DID YOU SAY "GAS BILL"?!
WHY, THAT GREEDY OLD--
IT'S NOT FAIR!!
SLAM
WELL, GOOD LUCK GETTING THE MONEY BACK NOW!
WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO BUY OUR OWN HOUSE WITH ALL THESE EXPENSES.
IT'S ALL THEIR FAULT...
SIGH


IT MUST HAVE BEEN FATE THAT BROUGHT MAKOTO AND ME TOGETHER.
KANAE, LET'S GO TO THE PUBLIC BATH.
SURE!


HAVE ANY TWO PEOPLE LOVED A GOOD FIGHT MORE?
YOU TWO GET ALONG SO WELL!

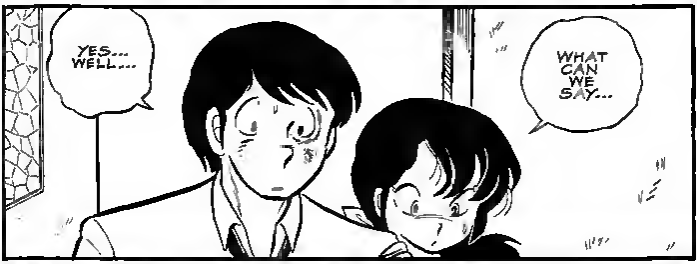
I HAD ANOTHER GREAT WORK DAY--
--AND I OWE IT ALL TO BLOWING OFF ALL MY STEAM AT HOME!
OH, MAKOTO, I'M SO LUCKY!


MY MOTHER SAID THAT I LOOK SO MUCH HAPPIER SINCE I GOT MARRIED.
I TOLD HER IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE ALWAYS THERE FOR ME.

THE EXPENSES ARE THE ONLY PROBLEM.
AH, THAT FELT GOOD.
YOU'RE LATE AGAIN
DAMN, YOU'RE SEXY WHEN YOUR HAIR'S WET.
IT'S NO USE FLATTERING ME.
CAN'T TAKE A COMPLIMENT, CAN YOU?
TUG
OW!
WHY, YOU--!
THOK
TAKE THAT!
WHAP
AND THAT!
NN YAA!
BLOP
BWORT
OFFICER, THERE THEY ARE!
THAT SAME STUPID COUPLE!

WOMEN
S-IGH
WELCO--
ZHOP
EVEN OUR BATH EXPENSES GET OUT OF HAND.
DOOM
WAA AAH! WAA AH!
THIS HAS GONE JUST ABOUT TOO FAR!
WAAAH!
EVERY DAY YOU DESTROY OUR PEACE AND QUIET!

THE NEXT TIME WE HEAR A FIGHT FROM YOUR APARTMENT-- WE'LL HAVE YOU EVICTED!
JUST CONSIDER YOURSELVES LUCKY THAT WE'RE NOT HAVING YOU ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE!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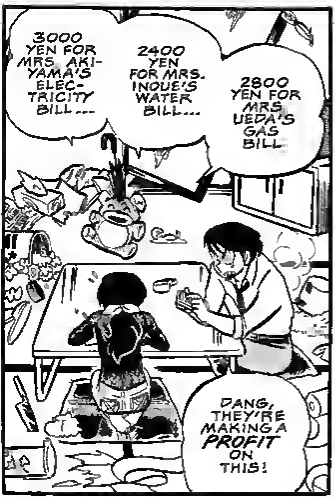
WHAT CAN WE SAY...


3000 YEN FOR MRS. AKIYAMA'S ELECTRICITY BILL...
2400 YEN FOR MRS. INOUE'S WATER BILL...
2800 YEN FOR MRS. UEDA'S GAS BILL...
DANG, THEY'RE MAKING A PROFIT ON THIS!

IT WAS A PRETTY ROUGH DAY TODAY, THOUGH.
MAKOTO, YOU HAVE A BRUISE...

WHAT SHOULD WE DO IF WE GET THROWN OUT?
THE MOVING EXPENSES ALONE WOULD DRAIN OUR ACCOUNT!

IT CAN'T BE HELPED... WE'LL HAVE TO CUT BACK FOR A WHILE.
SNK
BUT WON'T YOU GET STRESSED OUT AT WORK?
MAYBE I'LL RELIEVE IT BY PICKING A FIGHT WITH A YAKUZA.
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!
IT'S ONLY UNTIL WE BUY OUR OWN HOUSE...
HEH HEH HEH
ONLY... ONLY...
TWITCH TWITCH
TILL WE GET OUR OWN HOUSE...
AND WE'LL NEVER WORRY ABOUT BEING INTERRUPTED AGAIN!
WAAH! WAAH!
THEY'RE NOT FIGHTING, DEAR
VIP
SOBB
WE'LL BE ABLE TO FIGHT ALL WE WANT!
OH, MAKOTO!

SIZZLE
CAN'T... TAKE THIS... MUCH LONGER...
SNAP
GOTTA... GOTTA FIGHT.
HEY! YOSHI-YUKI!
GET OVER HERE!
MANAGER
WHAT IS IT?!
WHAT ARE THESE?!?
FILES! WHADDA-YA THINK?!!
I KNOW THEY'RE FILES!!
SO DON'T ASK!!
BAM

.....
....
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH HIM? HE'S ALWAYS SUCH A NICE EASYGOING KIND OF GUY.
I HEAR HE HAD A FIGHT WITH HIS WIFE.
I-- I KNOW. WE'LL ARGUE ON THE PHONE.
MAYBE-- MAYBE THAT'LL TAKE CARE OF IT...
HUHH.. HUHH..
SHE... SHE'S NOT HOME...
RRRR RRRR
KANAE, YOU @%&#!!!
WHAM
BEEP!
PRETTY BAD, I GUESS.
MUST BE THEIR FIRST FIGHT
HUHH HUHH HUHH

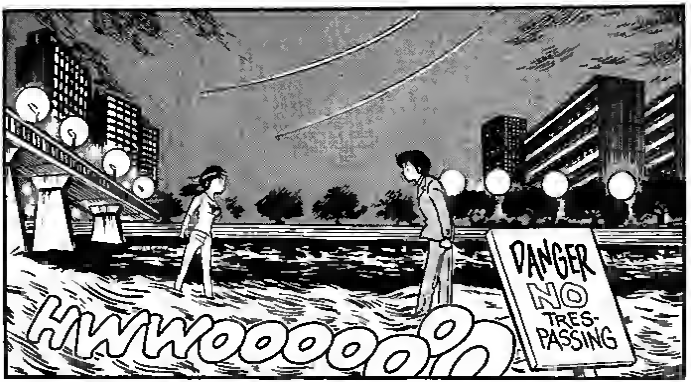
SOME TEA, MR. YOSHI-YUKI?
YEAH... YEAH... TEA...
WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU'RE NOT YOUR USUAL SELF.
OH... OH I-I-R-REALLY...??
I...I WANT TO THROW THIS...
REALLY... REALLY... HARD!
Tea Spot
THIS MUST BE HIS OFFICE...
TO THINK THAT HE FORGOT THE LUNCH I MADE HIM...
HEH HEH... WELL, NOW I'VE GOT MY EXCUSE.
I'LL LEAD HIM INTO SOME ALLEY.
MY WHOLE BODY IS ITCHING FOR A...
CHRONICLE BOOKS

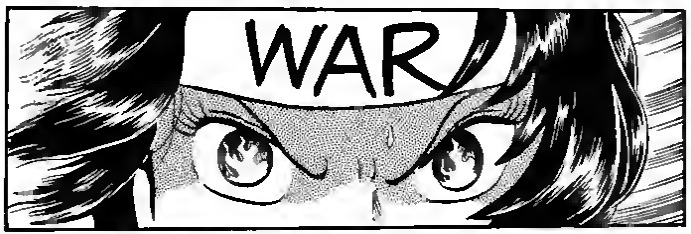
ZIP
WHO IS THAT WOMAN... ?!?
MAKOTO...
Coffee & Snack
SEA BREEZE

SOMETHING AWFUL MUST HAVE HAPPENED
OHH, N-N-NOT REALLY...
DID YOUR WIFE GIVE YOU THAT BRUISE?
YEAH.
HOW TERRIBLE.
DO I LOOK THAT BAD?
NO, YOUR WIFE.
HOW DOES SHE KNOW WHAT I LOOK LIKE...?!
SAY..
...DO YOU WANT TO HAVE DINNER TONIGHT?

...IF I GO HOME I'M BOUND TO FIGHT WITH KANAE...
HMM...
SAY NO, MAKOTO!
WHAT CAN YOU SEE IN THAT WEAK-LING?!
...BUT IF I CAN PICK A FIGHT AT A BAR...
YEAH! YEAH!!
ALL RIGHT!
GR AU GHG!
AH, MUCH BET-TER.
I'M HO...
SPLAT

STEP OUT-SIDE.
KA-KANAE ?
WAR
H-HEY, WAIT !
I SAID, STEP OUT-SIDE.
WAR
B-B-BUT WE PRO-MISED...
...IF WE GET THROWN OUT...
DON'T WORRY. I'LL TAKE YOU SOME-PLACE WHERE THEY WON'T HEAR THE SCREAMS.
SIZZLE
THE POOR THING SEEMS REALLY STRESSED OUT.
OF COURSE. MEN CAN FIND RELEASE OUTSIDE THEIR HOMES...
...BUT ALL SHE HAS IS ME, POOR DEAR...
STOMP
I'M KINDA TIRED, BUT... OH WELL...
...I GUESS I CAN RISE TO THE CHAL-LENGE.
WAR
SIZZLE


HWWOOOOOOO
DANGER
NO
TRES-
PASSING


WAR

YOU'RE HOT TONIGHT, KANAE!
YEAH! I'M BURN-ING UP!
GUESS I'VE GOTTA TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY!
FLING
GET READY!!
VOOM

CHOMP
TORANE
YOW!
SHRAK
RIP RIP RIP RIP
THIS FEELS DIFFERENT THAN USUAL.
TIME OUT!!
THERE'S NO TIME OUT IN A REAL FIGHT!
KANAE...
YOU'RE C-C-CRYING...?!
WAR
.....
.....
SNIF SNIF SNIF

OH, HONEY! YOU'RE CRYING WITH JOY!
YOU IDIOT!!
YOU HAD DINNER WITH ANOTHER WOMAN!
WHAT?
I FOLLOWED YOU TO THAT CAFE!
OH, HER.
SHE GOT FED UP WHEN SHE SAW ME HAVING A BLAST IN A BAR FIGHT--
--SO SHE LEFT.
HA HA HA!
I GOT DUMPED
IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I EVER CRIED DURING A FIGHT.
JERK!! CREEP!
I DON'T CARE!!
RRAKK
I NEVER WANT FIGHTING TO BE SO SAD AGAIN.

IN A MARRIAGE, FIGHTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE FUN.
OH, HONNN-NNNN-NNEY...
KLINK
WANNA GO FOR IT?
WHAM
BAM
KRASH
BASH
EEEEE
WAAWAAH!
BOW WOW WOW!
GET... OUT !!!
WE'LL START PACKING RIGHT AWAY.

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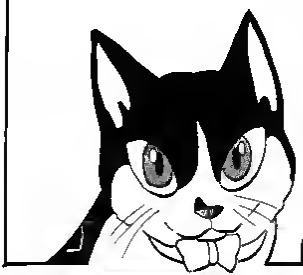
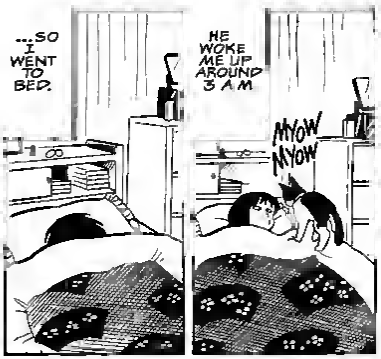
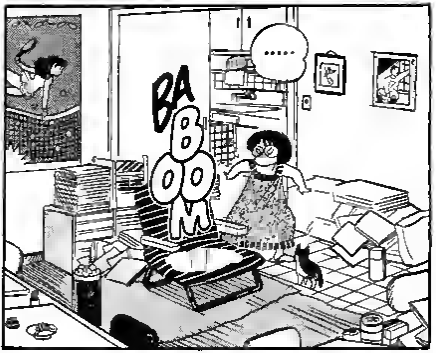


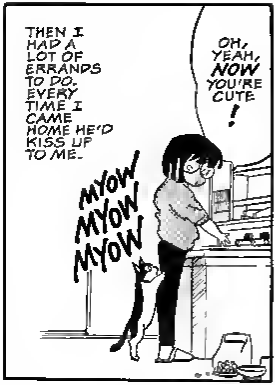
ONE DAY IN SEPTEMBER, I AGREED TO TAKE CARE OF A CAT FOR A FRIEND. HE WAS VERY CUTE, BUT CUTENESS DOESN'T MAKE A STORY, SO I'LL HAVE TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE OTHER THINGS.

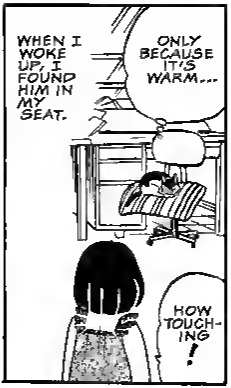


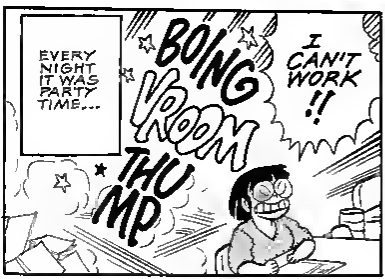


I MADE SURE IT WOULD NOT HAPPEN AGAIN...
I'LL LOCK YOU IN!
MYOW MYOW MYOW
BY THE TIME I GOT THE CHAIR CLEANED UP AND CAME BACK...
IT CAN'T BE! HE DIS-APPEARED!
IT WAS STILL LOCKED.
GASP!
AS SOON AS I WENT LOOK-ING...
MIN!
MIN!
...HE POPPED RIGHT OUT.
MIN?
WHAT ARE YOU, A TELE-PORTER...?
HE HAD ME GOING CRAZY..
...UNTIL I FINALLY FIGURED OUT HE'D JUST SLIPPED THROUGH THE BARS.
AFTER THREE DAYS HE WAS RIGHT AT HOME.
COMFY, ARE YOU?
THEN MY EDITOR FROM SHONEN SUNDAY CAME BY.
MIN WAS USUALLY SHY, BUT NOT THAT DAY...
HEY!
SPROING
I COULD SEE WHAT HE WAS PLAN-NING...
"SUDDENLY HE JUMPED UP AND--"
SO...YOU THINK YOU CAN JUMP, TOO, EH?

IF YOU HAVE THE GUTS... DO IT!
VOOOM
PLUMP
HAHAHAHAA
TONK
BRAVO!
WHAT A NATURAL ATHLETE!
THE FIFTH DAY. I WAS DONE WITH WORK AND WAS RELAXING AND MAKING PHONE CALLS.
OH, HE'S FINE. USES THE LITTER BOX AND ALL. YEAH, HE'S SO CUTE!
SWISH
I GOT HOT SO I STUCK MY FOOT OUT.
.....
PLISH
I HAD TO WASH FOUR FUTONS.
BAD CAT! BAD CAT! BAD CAT!
FWAP
THE NEXT DAY, IT WAS A CUSHION. AND I ONLY TOOK MY EYES OFF HIM FOR THREE SECONDS
MAN, HE'S FAST...
BOING
VROOM







I HAD HIM FOR TEN DAYS, ALL TOLD.

IT TOOK ME DAYS TO STOP THINKING ABOUT HOW WARM HE WAS.

I COULD DRAW MYSELF SPACING OUT, BUT I'D RATHER DRAW HOW MIN SLEPT. THE LAZY SLOB.

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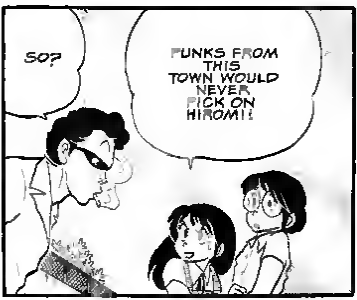
A CRY FOR HELP

RRRRRING
SEE YA!
Hey! Yo! Hey! Yo!
SEE YA TOMORROW!
SIGH
HIROMI!
NORMAL HIGH
OH! MAKOTO!
SO WHAT WAS IT TODAY?
I HEARD IT ALL THE WAY IN MY CLASS!
.....
YOU LOOK SO QUIET, BUT, BOY...
THAT TEACHER WAS PICKING ON ME!

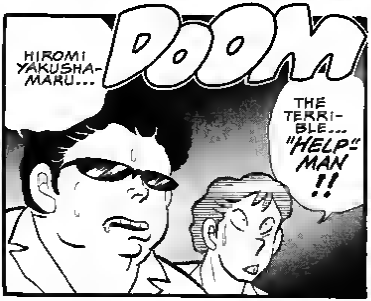
EVERYBODY KNOWS HE'S A TOTAL JERK TO STUDENTS...
...BUT EVEN I'D FEEL SORRY FOR HIM AFTER WHAT YOU DID!
YOU WOULD ?!
JUST STICK TO THE PUNKS!
I THINK THEY'RE AVOIDING ME THESE DAYS.
ARE YOU SURPRISED ?
IF I HADN'T KNOWN YOU SINCE KINDERGARTEN, I'D BE TOO SCARED TO GET NEAR Y--
CHUNK
HEY... HIROMI...
SCARED ?? SCARED OF ME...?!
DON'T GET UPSET!
I'M NOT DOING IT... BECAUSE I LIKE TO...
HUFF HUFF
WHAT'S THIS? GETTIN' LOVER-BOY ALL HEATED UP?
VOTE FOR ME
WHO ARE YOU...?!
JUST... TOURISTS.

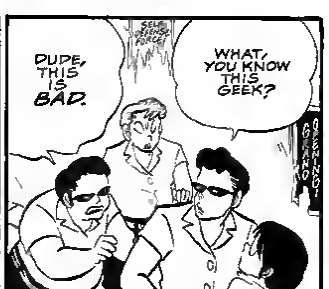
WON'T YOU CONTRIBUTE TO OUR FUND?
YOU'RE FROM OUT OF TOWN, AREN'T YOU?


SO?
PUNKS FROM THIS TOWN WOULD NEVER PICK ON HIROMI!

OH? TOUGH GUY, HUH?
STOP IT!
UM...
TUGG

H-HEY! YOU MEAN THIS HIROMI IS...
YES, THAT HIROMI YAKUSHA-MARU!
L-LET ME GO!


HIROMI YAKUSHA-MARU...
DOOM
THE TERRIBLE... "HELP" MAN !!


DUDE, THIS IS BAD.
SELF-DEFENSE FORCE
WHAT, YOU KNOW THIS GEEK?
GRAND

HE REALLY MESSED MY BUDDY UP, MAN!
OH, YEAH?
WHADJA DO?
PEE ON HIS LEG?
I-LET ME GO!
I-I CAN'T TAKE IT MUCH LONGER...
SO, WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO, HUH?!
POOM
WHA
.....
TREMBLE TREMBLE

ALL RIGHT!
HIROMI, DON'T !!
WE GOTTA RUN !
WHEN HE TAKES HIS GLASSES OFF...
SHUT UP! DON'T LET HIM SCARE YA!
OKAY, WIMP !
NO! PLEASE! PLEASE STOP !!
TR-R-R-R-EMBLE
WHIMPER

HELLLP!
WAAAHH!
HELP
THERE HE GOES
OH, GREAT
WAAH! WAAH!
H-HEY, STOP!
PEOPLE ARE LOOKING!
BZZ BZZ BZZ
HELP!
OH!
SOB B!
.....
HELP!
WAAAAAH! WAAAAH!
STOP IT. YOU'RE EMBARRASSING ME!
GROC
WHAT WAS THAT?!?
WE TOLD YOU, HE'S THE "HELP!" MAN!
BZZ BZZ BZZ
SHAME!
JUST SCUM, THAT'S ALL!
THEY MADE HIM CRY!
THOSE AWFUL BULLIES!!

THERE GOES "HELPY-MAN AGAIN.
HE CERTAINLY CRIES A LOT FOR HIS AGE.
WAA
AH!
SNIFF
.....
MU
PEEK
THEY'RE GONE...
WE'RE LUCKY.
LUCKY?! LUCKY ?!?
I'D RATHER GET BEATEN UP!!
BUT I'M WEAK...
IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN PROTECT MYSELF.
SIL
AFAP

YOU... YOU..
MAKOTO!
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY-MORE!
MAKO--
BOO
COWARD!
WHAT ARE YOU, A WEAKLING ?
YES... I AM...
HUH ?!
WH-WHO'S THERE ??
HYAH !!
THUKK

.....
YES! I DIP IT! I DID IT!
YOU'RE MINE, ALL MINE! HOO-HOOOOO!
.....
WAIT! I HAVE TO WIND IT UP FOR YOU!
.....
TO TO TO
HEY !!
VROOM
WAIT !!
CAFE MOCHA
NO! NOT THE HELP!!

HELLP!
THERE HE GOES AGAIN.
BONK
I FIGURED THE CRYBABY WOULD COME BACK FOR HIS BAG!
TH-THERE'S A M-M-MON--
FORGET IT. THIS TIME WE'RE READY!
V-V-P
PLAP
LET'S GO!
SQUISH
SHK SHK SHK
IDIOT! WHY'D YOU GO BACK...?
BEST IN JAPAN 20 METERS AHEAD!
HUF HUF HUF

WELL, LET HIM GET HURT FOR ONCE!
MAYBE THAT'LL TEACH HIM THAT CRYING'S NO ANSWER!
RENT A SPACE
C'MON, YOU CAN BEAT HIM UP WITHOUT TYING HIS HANDS!
I KNOW THAT, DOPE!
THIS IS SO HE CAN'T TAKE THE TAPE OFF!
WHAP
YEAH, YEAH, GOOD IDEA!
CRY NOW, BABY!
JERK
I SAID CRY!
PAP PAP PAP
CRY!!
BOOT
THUP

HANG ON!
GIVE ME A SECOND TO ACTIVATE THE ENERGY REPOLAR-IZER!
!?
IT CONVERTS NEGATIVE ENERGY INTO POSITIVE!
YOU'RE WEAK... SO IT'LL MAKE YOU STRONG!
HERE... GOES!!
JUST ONE TEAR-DROP!
CRY, YOU BABY!
KOF
S
AK!
HUH?
CANS - Open other side
WHAT'S THIS KEY DOING HERE?!
YEAH! WIND 'IM UP!
KRAK KRAK
I... I WONDER IF HE'S ALL RIGHT...

KRR
KRR
KRR

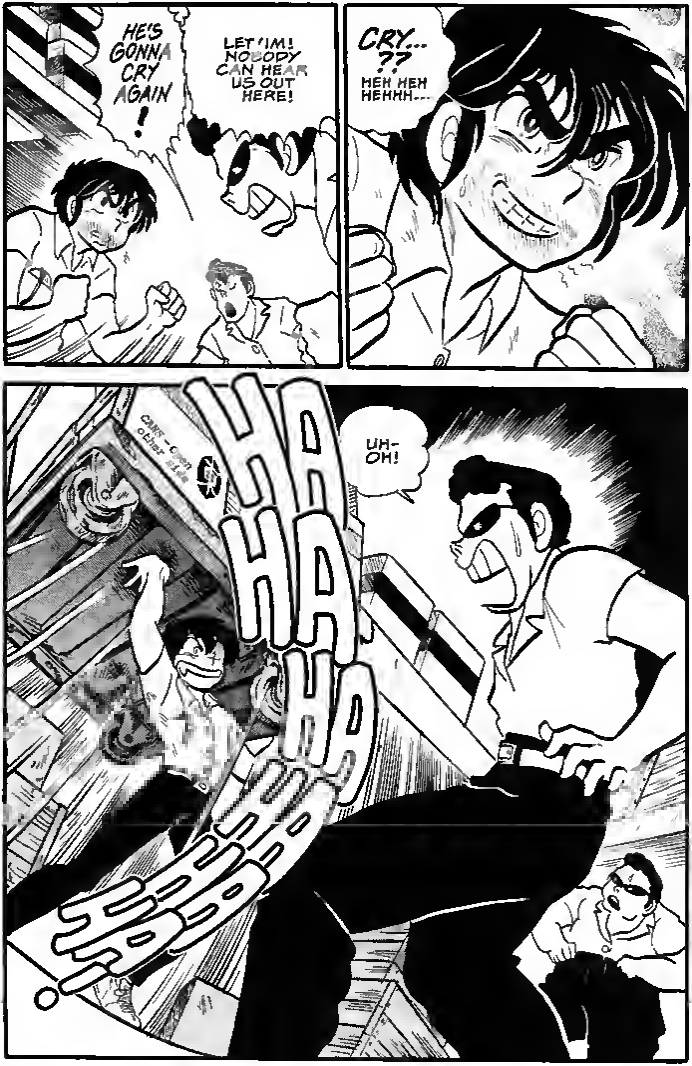
HEY !!
BING BING
KLANK
KLANK

WHAT'S WITH HIM ?!
VRRM
KTONK
KTONK

RRR
IIP
NO--
MY BELT !

WHPP

FLOP


HE'S GONNA CRY AGAIN!
LET 'IM! NOBODY CAN HEAR US OUT HERE!
CRY...??
HEH HEH HEHHH...
UH-OH!
HA HA HA
HEEE-HEE-HEE!

KYA HA
BOOM
YOW!
YOU... WEAK-LINGS !!
M-M-M-MON-STER!
NYA HA HA HAA HA!
HIROMI !
MAKOTO !
COME WITH ME!
VSSH
WHAT'S GOING ON-- ?!?
GO! GO! GO!
SO I'M A COWARD, AM I?!

POOM
EEEK!
HHAAAA
HELP!
TUMP
YOU'LL NEVER GET AWAY, FOOLS!
SHA AKK
FFSMP
K-K-K-K
K-K-K-K
HEH HEH HEH HEH!

OOPS. LOOKS LIKE WE WOUND DOWN.
K-K-K-K...
K...
HUH?
MY HAND HURTS!
BOO HOO HOO HOO
MAKOTO, MY HAND, MY HAND!
.....
CREEP CREEP CREEP
RUN...!
AFTER 'EM! AFTER 'EM!
NO! THEY'LL HIT ME!
WHO ARE YOU--AND WHAT DID YOU DO TO HIROMI...?!
I'M AN ALIEN!
KNK KNK
THERE ARE NO SUCH THINGS AS ALIENS!
COULD HAVE FOOLED ME!
KNK KNK
PUFF PUFF
APPX

H-H-HIROMI, LET'S GO HOME...
I'M... K-K-KINDA TIRED!
DON'T PRE-TEND I'M NOT HERE!
HEY!
GO, GO, GO!
GYA HA HA HA HA!
WAIT, HIROMI!
THOSE COWARDS WON'T GET AWAY FROM ME!
HIM...?! YAKUSHA-MARU?!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS ON?
IT'S TRUE, BOSS!
H-HE STARTS LAUGHING, AND... AND...
HA HA HA HA!
I'VE KNOCKED HIM AROUND A COU-LE TIMES.
OH NO! HERE HE COMES!
THAT CRYIN' WAS PRETTY ANNOY-ING, BUT--
HI-YAA AHH!
KA-BOOM!

MY... MY NEW CAR...
K...K...
KRUNCH
OH...
!!
?
I'M SORRY!
DON'T HIT ME!
BOW
IT-IT-IT-IT'S OKAY! IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!
BUT... YOUR DOOR...
I...I... I...
WELL, YOU... YOU COULD SEND ME A CHECK...
KONK KONK
A CHECK? TO YOU?!
VRRRM
AFTER YOU HIT ME, AUGUST 29, TWO YEARS AGO, AT 5:23 P.M.
?!?
MY CAR!!
NAHAHAHA HA!
I KEEP A DIARY OF THIS STUFF!

BLONG
EEE-YAA GAH!!
GIVE IT UP, FOOL!!
CHOOM
MOMMY!
HIIII-YAA AH!
SMAKK
HE'S WRECKING THE CITY!
SOMEBODY CALL THE ARMY!!
WA HA HA HA!
STOP! STOP! STOP!
GO! GO! GO!
SMASH EVERY-THING!!

BWAHAHAHAHAHAH!!
HEY!
BOP
OW!
DAD!
ARE YOU MESSING WITH THE NATIVES AGAIN?!
GIMME THIS!
NO! NOT NOW! NOT NOW!
HAHAHA...
TOUGH LUCK!
POP
SLAMM
HIROMI!
YOU MADE HIM FALL!
TOUGH LUCK!
BZZZ BZZ
BZZ BZZ
BZZ BZZ

HIROMI! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT...?
SPEAK TO ME!
BZZZ BZZZ
YAMMER YAMMER
HIROMI?!?
BLINK
MAKE ROOM!
.....
.....
SO WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, KID?
THEY... UHH... THEY WOUND ME UP...
HE WAS CONTROLLED BY ALIENS!
WELL, HE WAS!
ALIENS?!
BOO
BOO
HISS HISS
IT'S TRUE, I'M TELLING YOU!
BOOOO BOOOO
HISS HISS
.....
.....
HEH HEH HEH HEH..

WAHAHAHA!
YOW!!
HAHAHA!
RUN! RUN!
RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!!
HEH HEH HEH...
THERE'S NO WAY THEY WERE GONNA BELIEVE US!
YOU MEAN YOU FAKED THAT?
HAVE YOU NO PRIDE?!?
TUP TUP TUP
QUICK! LET'S RUN WHILE WE CAN!
HUH?!

TFT
The Furry Triangles
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WAR COUNCIL

BACK-FENCE GOSSIP LEADS TO MATRIMONY!
WHITE HIGH
DANGER STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES ONLY
WE RE-PEAT...
BACK-FENCE GOS-SIP...
PSST PSST
PSST PSST
OH...! I GET TO SEE NANAKO!
AT FIRST GLANCE, HE APPEARS TO BE JUST AN ORDINARY STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBER.
HE IS, IN FACT, THE SECRETARY.
HWOROOOOO
TUP TUP TUP

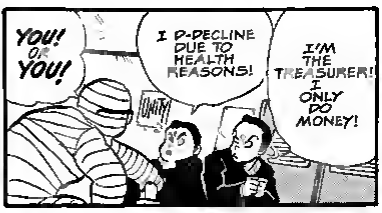
THE RAIN IN JAPAN STAYS MAINLY IN...
...
NAGASAKI!
ALL RIGHT, YOU MAY PASS!
YU SANADA, SECRETARY!
NOK NOK
NO ADMITTANCE
ALL RIGHT, COME IN!
ALL OFFICIAL STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE PRESENT!
KLIK
NANAKO!
OFFICIAL STUDENT COUNCIL
SIT DOWN, SANADA!
THE WALLS HAVE EARS
YES, NANAKO.
I'LL PERFORM MY SECRETARIAL DUTIES TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, NANAKO!
THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM!
TRUST NO ONE
STOP REPEATING MY NAME, IDIOT!
.....

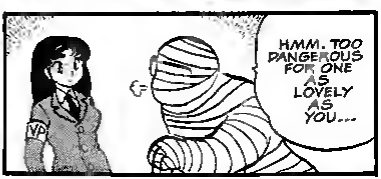
SCOOT
FWAPA
WELL... TODAY...
OSC
YVA
AHEM!
THE PRESIDENT HAS AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE!
NANAKO AOI, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE OFFICIAL STUDENT COUNCIL
SCRAMBLE
HA HA!
B-BUT THE PRESIDENT'S NOT HERE!
VP
OH? ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
HA HA HA!
I'D KNOW IF THE PRESIDENT--
YEAH?! SO WHO AM I, HUH?!
OHMI-GOD!
Voop

MR. PRESIDENT! WHAT HAPPENED?!
LOOSE LIPS
WHAT DO YOU THINK?!?
THEY DID IT TO ME!
OH, THE PAIN, THE PAIN...!
"THEY"? Y'MEAN THE JOCK STUDENT COUNCIL?
OR THE NERD STUDENT COUNCIL?
LOOSE LIPS...
BOTH!!
OFFICIAL STUDENT COUNCIL
TO THE ATP
BAM
WHY DO I HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS?!
ARRRR GGHH!!
I CAN'T STAND IT!!
I QUIT!!
YOU MUST BE JOKING!
LOOSE LIPS...
"HE QUITS..!"
HAVE I EVER MADE A JOKE?
I RESIGN POSSESSION OF THE OFFICIAL STAMP—AS OF NOW!!
WHAM
SCRIBBLE
THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENTIAL STAMP!

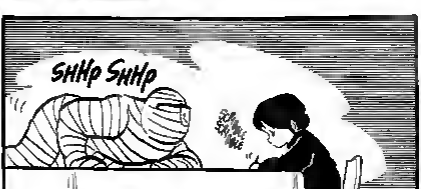
THE PRESIDENT'S BADGE OF OFFICE!
WELL? WHO'S GOING TO SUCCEED ME?!
SCRABBLE

WHATEVER IDIOT TAKES IT--WILL BE PRESIDENT!
YOU!
GYAAH! NO!


YOU! OR YOU!
I D-DECLINE DUE TO HEALTH REASONS!
I'M THE TREASURER! I ONLY DO MONEY!


HMM. TOO DANGEROUS FOR ONE AS LOVELY AS YOU...

SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE
AHA!

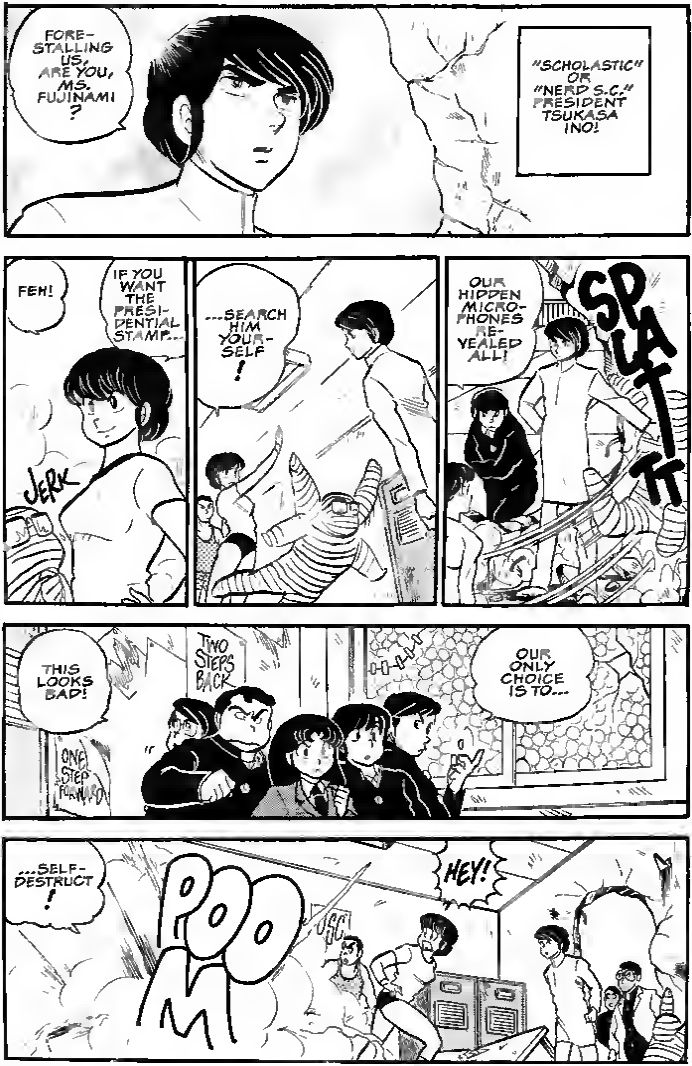

SHHP SHHP
SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE

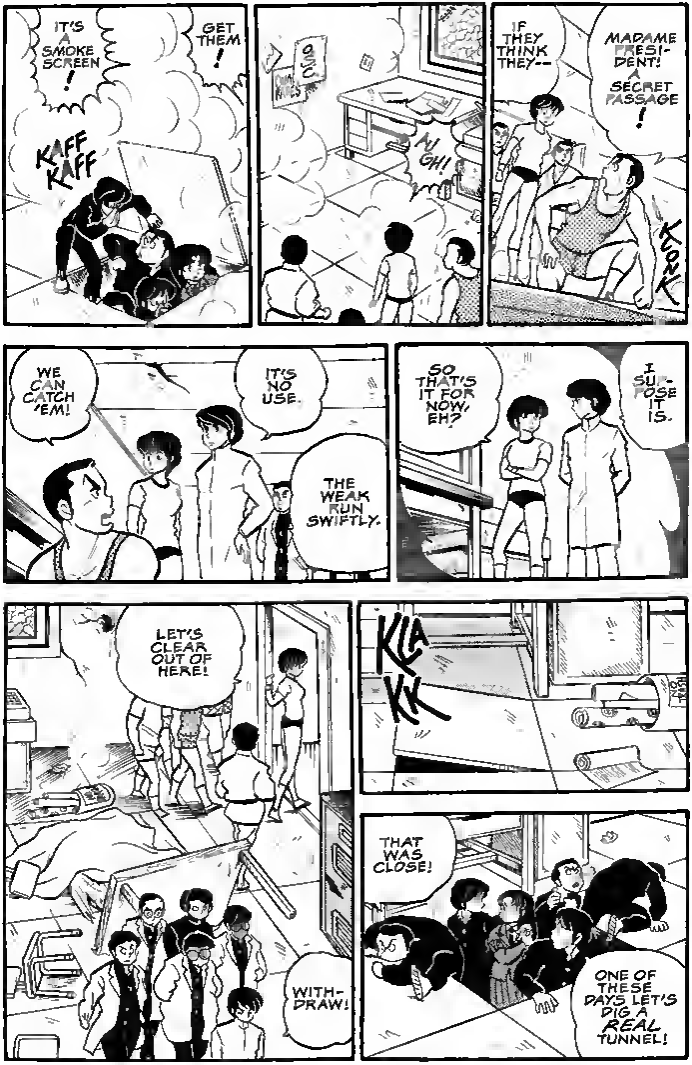
SAA-NAAA-PAAA!
YES?

THIS IS FOR YOU!
NO SUBSTITUTE
HEY! HEY! HEY!
WHAT?!
REALLY?!?
I CAN HAVE THIS?
SANADA!
W-W-WHAT IS IT, NANAKO?
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT INVOLVES?
OH, YES! IT INVOLVES SPENDING TIME WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT... NANAKO!
....
YOU HEARD HIM!
HE DOESN'T GET IT AT ALL!
NO TRASH
HE JUST JOINED TO FILL IN FOR THE SECRETARY WE HAD BEFORE.
YEAH, HE'LL GET IT--ONCE AND FOR ALL!
HE'LL GET IT AS SOON AS HE'S PRESIDENT!
YOU!
SCHOOL SHIRT
SLAM
MR. PRESIDENT!
!!

YES, WE! THE COMBAT STUDENT COUNCIL!
TOM TOM
ST-STAY AWAY!
HAND IT OVER!
"IT"? WHAT "IT"??
"COMBAT" OR "JOCK" S.C. PRESIDENT RYUKO FUJINAMI!
THE PRESIDENTIAL STAMP, OF COURSE!
KRAK
I DON'T HAVE IT ANY MORE!
YOU WHAT?!
I GAVE IT TO HIM!
YOU COWARD!
STAND BY YOUR S.C.!

SO. I SEE.
GO AWAY!
NANAKO! ARE YOU DEFENDING ME?!
I'M DEFENDING THE STAMP!
MOVE OVER, NANAKO.
I TRY NEVER TO HIT GIRLS.
KAA
BOOOM
OH, NO
WHAT ?!?
I'LL SAVE YOU, NANAKO!
OH, NANAKO, YOU'RE SO WARM!
SAVE IT FOR LATER !!
HSSSSS
TMP


FORE-STALLING US, ARE YOU, MS. FUJINAMI?
"SCHOLASTIC" OR "NERD S.C." PRESIDENT TSUKASA INO!
FEH!
IF YOU WANT THE PRESI-DENTIAL STAMP...
JERK
...SEARCH HIM YOUR-SELF!
OUR HIDDEN MICRO-PHONES RE-VEALED ALL!
SPLAT
THIS LOOKS BAD!
TWO STEPS BACK
ONE STEP BACK
OUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO...
HEY!
...SELF-DESTRUCT!
POOM
HEY!

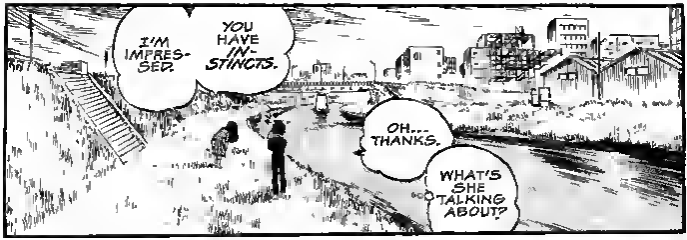

IT'S A SMOKE SCREEN!
GET THEM!
KAFF KAFF
SSC
NI GH!
IF THEY THINK THEY--
MADAME PRESIDENT! A SECRET PASSAGE!
KONK
WE CAN CATCH 'EM!
IT'S NO USE.
THE WEAK RUN SWIFTLY.
SO THAT'S IT FOR NOW, EH?
I SUPPOSE IT IS.
LET'S CLEAR OUT OF HERE!
WITHDRAW!
KLAKK
THAT WAS CLOSE!
ONE OF THESE DAYS LET'S DIG A REAL TUNNEL!

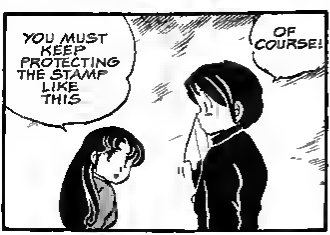
OKAY, LISTEN CAREFULLY...
THE COMBAT S.C. IS MADE UP OF SPORTS TEAMS...
...THE SCHOLASTIC S.C. OF SCIENCE CLUBS AND THE LIKE...
AND YOU KNOW WHY THEY WANT THE PRESIDENTIAL STAMP, RIGHT?
OF COURSE I KNOW!
THEY WANT TO BE WITH YOU TOO!
YOU DON'T GET IT AT ALL!
IF THEY TAKE THE PRESIDENTIAL STAMP, THEY CAN WRITE THE BUDGET ANY WAY THEY WANT!
THEY WANT FUNDS FOR THEIR CLUBS!
YOU MEAN THEY PUT MONEY ABOVE LOVE?!
NO WONDER THEY'RE GOING CRAZY...
...OVER A DUMB THING LIKE...
THE PRESIDENTIAL STAMP!!
PUT IT AWAY!
CLEAR OUTTA HERE!
BEFORE THE SHOOTIN' STARTS!
WHAT... POWER!
ERR RRG!

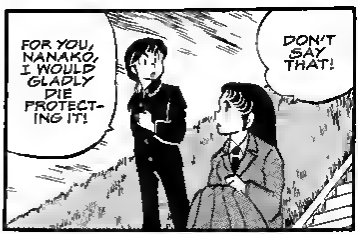
EVERY IDIOT'S SUPPOSED TO KNOW ABOUT THE DANGER OF THE STAMP!
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE GRUMBLE
I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SCHOOL POLITICS UNTIL I BECAME THE O.S.C. SECRETARY.
PERFECT! THEY'RE ALONE!
SEA-WEED
THE WIND IS WITH US!
TIME FOR A GIFT FROM THE CHEMISTRY CLUB!
WHAT ARE WE DOING? WITH JUST THE TWO OF US ALONE HERE...
WITH JUST THE TWO OF US ALONE HERE...
HEH HEH HEH!
SEA-WEED
HUH?
WHAT IS HE...?
THAT'S ODD...THE TEAR GAS SHOULD BE COMING OUT!
SEA-WEED
OF COURSE! HE FEELS THE PRESENCE OF THE ENEMY!

THEY COULD STRIKE FROM ANY-WHERE...
SHE'S... SHE'S NOT PULLING IT AWAY!
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M REALLY DOING THIS!
SQUISH
BETTER SIGNAL HIM...
WOW! SHE SQUEEZED BACK!
OH, NANAKO!
WAK!
IT'S THE KARATE TEAM!
HUP TWO THREE FOUR...
READY, MEN?!
READY!!
SANADA, IS THIS WHAT YOU WERE TRYING TO TELL ME?!
HUH?
BLAST IT, WHAT'S WRONG?!
RUN!
AFTER THEM!!
THEY'RE OURS!
VOOOM

VROOM
SUR-ROUND THEM!
KLAANG
GAK!
HOOOOSH
EUREKA!
GET THE STAMP!
HAK!
KAFF!
CHOKE
JERK
HEY!!
A BOY'S UNIFORM! IT'S SANADA!
HAND OVER THAT STAMP!
WAIT! NO!
WHAKK
THUDD
SPLAT
SNIF SNIF SNIFF
KOFF


I'M IMPRESSED.
YOU HAVE INSTINCTS.
OH... THANKS.
WHAT'S SHE TALKING ABOUT?


YOU MUST KEEP PROTECTING THE STAMP LIKE THIS
OF COURSE!


FOR YOU, NANAKO, I WOULD GLADLY DIE PROTECTING IT!
DON'T SAY THAT!

DON'T BE RECKLESS!
YOU COULD REALLY GET KILLED!
SNIFF SNIFF

NANAKO...

SHE'S CRYING... FOR ME!
AUGH I HATE TEAR-GAS ATTACKS!

THE STAMP IS STILL SAFE, ISN'T IT?
RIGHT HERE!
LET ME JUST MAKE ONE THING CLEAR...
YES?
I VISIT YOU EVERY FREE PERIOD BECAUSE...
JUST BECAUSE OF THE STAMP?
THAT'S ALL.
LATER!
SURE.
I'LL NEVER SPEAK TO YOU AGAIN IF YOU LET THEM TAKE IT!
C'P C'P C'P
EVERY-ONE IN YOUR SEATS!
BRRRRRRNG
JEEZ
HEY! A SUBSTI-TUTE!
A YOUNG SUBSTI-TUTE.
BZZZZ BZZZZ
YOUR JAPANESE TEACHER IS ON MATERNITY LEAVE.
I'LL BE TAKING OVER FOR HER.

"MATERNITY"...?
OUR TEACHER...?!
EVERYONE READ WITH ME! BEGIN!
"SHE'S THE EMPEROR'S SCRIBE'S SISTER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW'S NEPHEW'S DAUGHTER."
RUN THAT BY ME AGAIN...??
GUP GUP
SHWIP
MMPH
CHLORO-FORM...
MY, MY!
FALLING ASLEEP IN CLASS, EH?
THIS WON'T DO AT ALL!
WAKE UP!

GOT IT!
HEY!
OH!
FWAP
I THOUGHT I'D SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE!
AND YOU ARE...
YOU'RE A JUNIOR IN THE DRAMA CLUB!
THIS IS REMEDIAL JAPANESE, FOOL! WE'RE ALMOST ALL ON SPORTS TEAMS!
CURSES!
AREN'T THERE ANY ARTS CLUB PEOPLE HERE?!
POTTERY CLUB!
WE'LL BACK YOU UP!
THINK YOU CAN WIN IN A FIGHT?
WE'LL POUR SULFURIC ACID ON YOU!
BRRRRRRINNNG
HUH?!
GREAT!
IT'S STILL HERE
THE STAMP!!
RRP

WHAT? THIS IS FOR ME?
IT'S A FLOWER-BASE, FOR MAKING FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS. YOU KNOW HOW TO USE IT, DON'T YOU?
P.E. IS THE MOST DANGEROUS PERIOD.
YOU'RE DOING THIS FOR ME...
SIGH
IT'S FOR THE STAMP!
LOOK SHARP!
YAWN
GUESS I'M STILL GROGGY FROM THAT CHLORO-FORM...
HUSTLE!
TMP TMP TMP
UH-OH! THE WRESTLING TEAM!
SANADA!!
I MEAN...
THE STAMP!
SLAM DUNK
POWK

TM-TM-TM-TM-TM
HEH!
GET HIM!
WOBBLE
OH!
UGHH... STILL... DIZZY...
BOOM
JUMP
VISHHH
WHUMP
EEP!
OH, NANAKO!
YOU'RE SO GOOD TO ME!
MY KNEE! MY KNEE! MY KNEE!!
NOOO! NASH!
YOU'LL PAY FOR THAT!

SANADA!
OH, NANAKO!
BOOMP
RUN!
OKAY!
ARRGH!
YOU WERE WORRIED, WEREN'T YOU?
YEAH, ABOUT THE STAMP!
WHAT ABOUT ME?
SLAM
WHAT ABOUT YOU?!
HALT!
TWANG
TWANG TWANG
THOK THOK THOK
LOOK OUT, NANAKO!!

THNG
THNGTHNG
THNG
NOW I CAN DIE HAPPY...
SIGH
OW OW OW! GET OFF ME!!
AT LEAST TAKE THAT FLOWER-BASE OFF YOUR STOMACH!
WHAP!
SHPP
THOK THOK
THOK THOK
OH, NO!
OH, YES!
WE GOT HIM!
RUN, NANAKO, RUN!!
NO, WE HAVE TO STICK TOGETHER!
RUN, YOU LITTLE FOOL!!
"FOOL...!"
DON'T THROW YOUR LIFE AWAY--
--FOR A STUPID LITTLE STAMP!!
WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT A STAMP?!
SLAP
HUH?!?

OH, NANAKO!
HEY, WHAT'RE YOU DOIN'?!
SANADA... COME SAVE ME!
B-BUT...
TM TM TM TM TM
PROMISE ME YOU'LL COME SAVE ME!
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
I'M TAKING THE STAMP!!
NANAKO, DON'T!!
I'VE GOT THE STAAAA-AAAMP!!
STOMMP SQUISH
OOF!!
UFF!
GET 'ER!
NANAKO!
WAIT FOR ME!
I'M COMING!!

SHE'S GOT THE STAMP!
OH!
HEH!
LET'S SEE HOW SHE HANDLES THE "DRAGON POCKET!"
BOOT
AAA!
WHA--?!
BWOOOM
KEEP STILL... UNLESS YOU WANT THIS TO BE A PINEAPPLE LUAU!
BRRR
THE NERDS!

NANAKO!
SANADA!
GIVE ME THE STAMP!
TAKE IT!
I GIVE MY FIRST AND LAST ORDER AS OFFICIAL STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT!
THE WHOLE SCHOOL...
NO!
STOP HIM!!
...IS GOING TO HAVE A MID-WINTER SWIMMING CONTEST!
SPUNK
AAAA!

WHERE IS IT?!
PLISH PLOSH
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU, SWIM TEAM!
IT'S BETTER THIS WAY...
YES...THAT STAMP WAS TOO DANGEROUS FOR MERE HUMANS.
DON'T CRY, NANAKO!
BUT...I WAS SO SCARED!
YOU TOOK SO LONG TO COME AND...
SIGH
HM?
OH, SORRY! I'VE STILL GOT THAT DUMB...
WAIT A SECOND. THAT'S...
OH...
UH-OH...

SO THE ONE YOU TOOK W.A.S....
THE...
HEY !!
HE TRICKED US!
HE'LL REGRET IT!
WHY DOES IT ALWAYS COME BACK TO THIS?!
NANAKO! YOU'RE GOING TO RUN AWAY WITH ME?!
WE WON'T FORGET THIS, SCHEMER!
SEE HOW YOU LIKE BEING IN THE DRINK!

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WHEN MY EYES GOT WINGS

I THOUGHT...
CHIRRR CHIRRR
...I COULD HAVE ANYTHING I WANTED.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOU IDIOT?!
WAY TO GO!
WHEN MY EYES GOT WINGS, I THOUGHT I COULD DO ANYTHING.

RAA AAA AAH!
GET OUTTA MY WAY!!
YEAH, RIGHT!
THUD
EEK!
Y'THINK I'M GONNA MOVE JUST 'CAUSE YOU SAY SO?!
OW!
ABSOLUTELY ANYTHING... ANYTHING... I WANTED...
HA HA HAAA!
DON'T YELL LIKE THAT! YOU DIS-TRACTED ME!
HEY, I WAS CHEER-ING FOR YOU!

CHIRP CHIRP
WHAT... // BUT YOU PROMISED!
SO? I SAID I'M SORRY!
WE CAN SEE THE MOVIE SOME OTHER TIME!
NOW YOU TELL ME, AFTER I WAITED ALL THIS TIME IN THIS HEAT!!
IT'S THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER PRACTICE!
YOU THINK I CAN TELL 'EM I CAN'T MAKE IT 'CAUSE OF A DATE?
YES, I DO!
OH, GET REAL!
AT LEAST NOW I KNOW WHAT KIND OF GUY YOU ARE!
IKUMI!
GOOD-BYE!
WAIT! WAIT! I'LL CALL YOU TO-MORROW!
SO DON'T DUMP ME, OKAY?
JERK!

C'MON, WHAT'S A FEW BROKEN PROMISES?
OOH, HE MAKES ME SO MAD!
YEAH, YOU'LL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO SEE HIM AT SCHOOL THIS FALL.
DON'T DEFEND HIM!
WANT TO GO GET SOME SLUSHIES?
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME.
HE PROMISED WE'D GO SEE THAT MOVIE TODAY A WEEK AGO!
ALL RIGHT, AL-READY.
YOU'RE JUST BRAGGING 'CAUSE YOU HAVE A BOY-FRIEND!
LET'S TAKE THE SHORT-CUT.
CHRRCH
SURE IS QUIET HERE...
PONK

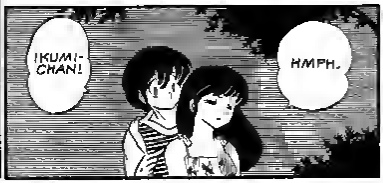
EXCUSE ME... COULD YOU BRING OUR BALL BACK UP?
CHIRP CHIRP
THANK YOU!
HERE YOU GO.

WELL... BYE!
HEY, WAIT!
HERE, HAVE SOME OF THIS!
WHAT?
STAY A WHILE! PLEASE!
BUT... UM...
YOU WANT SOME JUICE INSTEAD? I COULD HAVE SOMEONE BRING SOME!
WAIT A MINUTE!
YOUR PARENTS WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO TALK TO STRANGERS, WOULD THEY?
.....
I... I DON'T HAVE ANY.
YOU MEAN...
MY MOM'S DEAD...
...AND MY DAD'S ALWAYS WORKING.
OH...

I'M LONELY...
"LONELY," HE SAID...!
HOO BOY.
TWO WHOLE HOURS!
WHY SHOULD WE BABY-SIT SOME STRANGE KID?!
BUT DIDN'T YOU FEEL SORRY FOR HITOMI?
HE SURE FELT SOMETHING FOR YOU!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE HE TALKED TO!
REALLY?
REALLY. HE TOTALLY IGNORED US.
THE KID'S FALLEN FOR YOU.
FLAP FLAP
AND YOU PROMISED TO VISIT AGAIN TOMORROW.
I COULDN'T HELP IT... IT JUST TURNED OUT THAT WAY.
YOU'RE IN FOR IT NOW!
OH, WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?
.....

WHAT A JERK... CALLING ME UP TO COME MEET HIM THIS LATE...
!!
HEY, THAT'S NOT FAIR!

I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE AS SOON AS POSSI-BLE!
SPARE ME

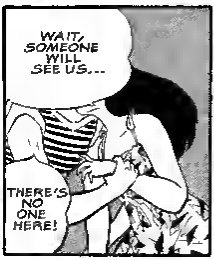

!KUMI-CHAN!
HMPH.

SIGH

OKAY, OKAY, OKAY!
I FOR-GIVE YOU, ALREADY!

YOU'RE NOT MAD ANY MORE?
WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?

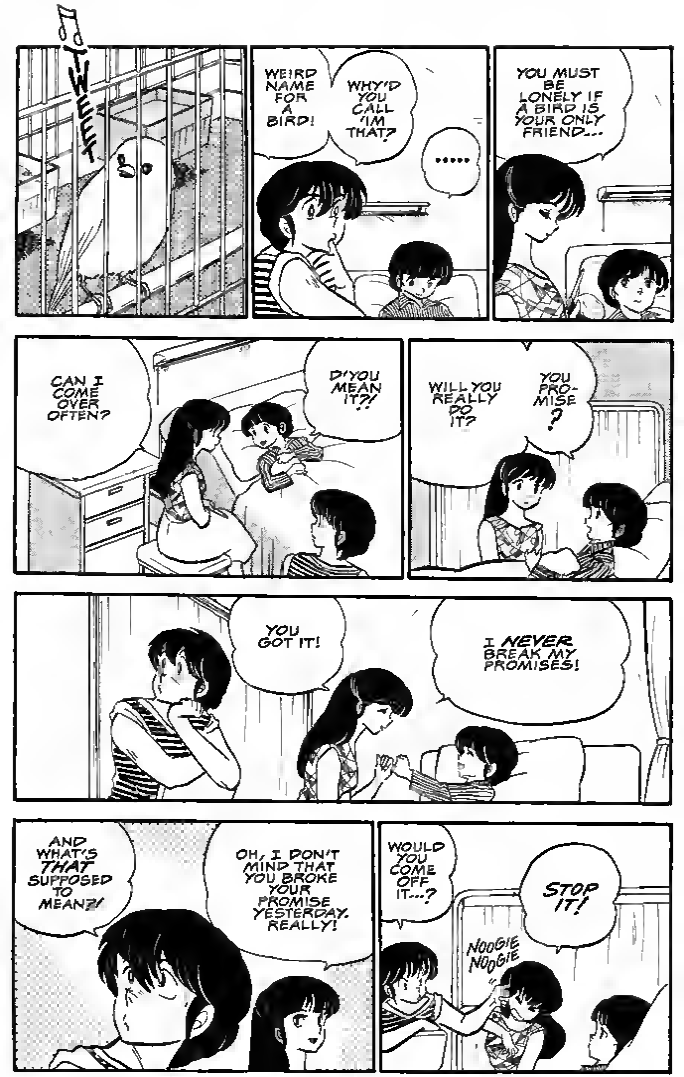
!KUMI!
OH...


WAIT, SOMEONE WILL SEE US...
THERE'S NO ONE HERE!

FLAP

RUSTLE RUSTLE RUSTLE
KREEEEK
AAAAH!
IT-- IT'S JUST THE WIND...
B-BUT THERE WAS NO WIND...
THIS IS CREEPY! LET'S GO!
OKAY! HOP ON!
VMMM
VVROOOOOOMM
CHIRR CHIRR CHIRR...
HELLO!
OH, IKUMI!

YOU CAME!
YOU REALLY CAME TO VISIT ME!
DIDN'T I PROMISE I WOULD?
EXCEPT A FRIEND OF MINE TAGGED ALONG...
CAN HE COME IN...?
WHAT?
WHAD-DYA MEAN, "TAGGED ALONG"?!
YOU MADE ME GIVE YOU A RIDE HERE!
YOUR BOY-FRIEND? PLEASE, COME IN!
SAY, HITOMI, DON'T YOU HAVE ANY FRIENDS?
I CAN NEVER GET OUT TO MAKE ANY FRIENDS...
...EXCEPT FOR PEEPING TOM.
PEEP--HUH?!
PEEP-ING TOM!
IT'S THE NAME OF MY BIRD!
TWEET


TWEET
WEIRD NAME FOR A BIRD!
WHY'D YOU CALL 'IM THAT?
.....
YOU MUST BE LONELY IF A BIRD IS YOUR ONLY FRIEND...
CAN I COME OVER OFTEN?
D'YOU MEAN IT?!
WILL YOU REALLY DO IT?
YOU PRO-MISE?
YOU GOT IT!
I NEVER BREAK MY PROMISES!
AND WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
OH, I DON'T MIND THAT YOU BROKE YOUR PROMISE YESTERDAY. REALLY!
WOULD YOU COME OFF IT...?
STOP IT!
NOOGIE NOOGIE

YOU REALLY GET ALONG WELL, DON'T YOU?
....
DON'T YOU KNOW THERE'S A TIME AND PLACE FOR SOME THINGS?
THAT IKUMI...
...SHE HOLDS A GRUDGE FOR-EVER.
KRASH
WHAT IN—?!
THUNK
MANGA VISIONS
KRRAASH
WHOA!
YAAAH!
AAA!
SMASH
KRRAASH

?! WHO'S THERE ?!
SPIKE!
CHWEEET
FLAP
A BIRD...
DAISUKE, WHAT WAS ALL THAT NOISE?
OH MY GOODNESS! HOW... HOW...
CHWWWP
IKUMI, DO YOU LIKE THAT GUY?
WHAT ?
WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT ?
ANSWER ME! DO YOU LIKE HIM?

I...I GUESS...
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF HE DIED?
OH, NOTHING COULD KILL HIM!
HE'S TOO LIVELY!
HYPO-THETI-CALLY.
HM-MM...
I'D CRY!
WOULD YOU CRY FOR ME IF I DIED?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT!
BUT THESE DAYS I GET A FEVER AND FEEL REALLY SICK EVERY NIGHT!
IT WOULD BE SO LONELY TO DIE ALL ALONE...
DON'T SAY THAT!
I'LL COME VISIT AS MUCH AS I CAN--SO YOU HAVE TO FEEL BETTER!
I REALLY LIKE YOU, IKUMI!
CHIRP!

HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO HANG AROUND WITH THAT BRAT?
SSSHH!!!
HOW LONG...?
I WANT YOU TO STOP.
FLING
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
OH...
I SEE!
YOU'RE JEALOUS, AREN'T YOU?!
DON'T BE STUPID!
YOU ARE JEALOUS!
FLING
WHO'D GET JEALOUS OF A LITTLE...
OH...
FOOSH
FLAPPLE FLAPPLE

WHAP
DAISUKE, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
.....
OH MY GOD, YOU'RE BLEEDING!
IT CAN'T BE...
SQUEEZE
YOU HAD A FEVER LAST NIGHT, TOO?
YEAH, BUT I FEEL BETTER NOW!
OHdear...
TWEET TWEET

HE LOOKS MORE EMACIATED EVERY DAY...
I FEEL BETTER WHEN I SEE YOU!
IF ONLY I COULD HAVE YOU ALL TO MYSELF...
CHIRP
FLAP
FLAP FLAP
I'M SORRY... ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ??
CRASH
PEEP-ING TOM...

YO!
CHK
OH... DAISUKE!
WHERE'S YOUR BIRD?
FLAP FLAP
.....
I BEAT HIM BACK, DIDN'T I?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
PEEP-ING TOM!

NOW, THEN!
RUSTLE
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
SIT A LITTLE CLOSER!
NO, I'M FINE HERE!
FLING
FFWIT
WHAP
IT CAN'T BE...

...BUT IT IS! I SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES!
SHWIP
FFWIT
WHAP
.....
JEALOUS, ARE YOU--?!
SHWIP
FFWIT
.....
WHAP
I WON'T LET IKUMI COME HERE ANYMORE!
HOW CAN YOU STOP HER?
DO YOU THINK SHE'LL BELIEVE A STORY LIKE THIS?
ROTTEN BRAT!

I WON'T GIVE HER ANY CHOICE!
I WON'T LET HER GET ANYWHERE NEAR A FREAK LIKE YOU! REMEMBER THAT...
!!
SLAM
WHAT DO YOU MEAN... "DON'T GO TO THE HOSPITAL" ?!
JUST DON'T HANG OUT WITH THAT BRAT ANYMORE !
STOP CALLING HIM THAT!
HIS NAME IS HITOMI, AND YOU KNOW IT!
TWEET
LOOK, IT'S PEEPING TOM!
WHAT ?!?

IT LOOKS LIKE HIM...
BUT IT CAN'T BE! PEEPING TOM IS IN A CAGE!
WATCH !
SHWIP
FLAP
CHIRP
.....
CLATTER
HITOMI IS DOING THIS!
CRUMBLE
THUNK

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ?!
FFWIT
WHAP
56
OUCH!
IT... IT'S BLEED-ING...
WH-WHY... ??
FFWIT
HE'S GETTIN' MAD !
THIS IS SERIOUS !
HOW... HOW COULD THIS...

WHOOOSH
WHOOSH
RUN !!
WHOOSH
SO
OH...
THUNK
WATCH OUT! GET BACK!
BAK MOK
WHAP
WHAP
.....
CLATTER
SLITHER
WAAAA!
THAT... LITTLE...

I'LL...
I'LL...
I'LL KILL HIM !!
DAISUKE, WHERE ARE YOU GOING--?!
TO THE HOSPITAL, OF COURSE!
I'M GOING TOO!
YOU STAY HERE!
SUMMER KUMQUATS ARE GOOD KUMQUATS...
I'M BORROWING THIS!
HUH?!
VMMM
VROOM
H-HEY !!
FLAP FLAP
THERE'S THE BIRD!
NO BIRD CAN GO FASTER THAN A BIKE!

VR RR
OOO M...
HONDA
KRR
TSAR
AAK

SHREEEE
FWIT
SLAM
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THAT TWIT! PLAYING FAVORITES, IS HE?!
CHWEEE
HE'S HEADING FOR THE HOSPI-TAL!
I CAN SEE THAT!!
TWEEE
BOOFF
I'LL GET HIM...
...THAT LITTLE BRAT!!
56

BAM
56
YKOM!!
THUNK
WHOOSH
YOW!!
KRR
SH
SHOOOO

IKUMI...
YOU... YOU CAME FOR ME...
HITOMI...
THAT'S... DANGER-OUS...
COME BACK HERE...
I'M NOT GOING BACK THERE ANY-MORE...
AREN'T I... LIKE A BIRD...?
TWEET TWEET
COME WITH ME, IKUMI!
WHA--?!

FW IT
GO
IKUM!!
GLOMP
STOP IT!!
IKUMI...
WHEN MY EYES GOT WINGS...
YOU'LL COME WITH ME, WON'T YOU...?
I THOUGHT...
...I COULD HAVE ANYTHING I WANTED...

WHEN MY EYES GOT WINGS...
WHAT DID YOU WANT...?!
TWEEEE
HITOMI!
WHAT DID YOU WANT, HITOMI...?

TFT
The Furry Triangles
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SLEEP AND
FORGET

MAY!
MAY! WHERE ARE YOU?!
CITY K, PREFECTURE N...
DON'T DO THIS TO ME!
YOU'LL GET LOST!
YAP YAP
MAY!!
...WHERE THE TRADITION OF THE "DOG MASTER" HAS BEEN KEPT SINCE THE OLD DAYS.
MAY...
YAP
HMM
HMM

IS THAT YOUR OWNER?
YIP
THEN GO TO HER.
YAP
UMM. THANKS
WSH WSH
HEY, AREN'T YOU RYOHEI...?
HOME-ROOM SIX...?
I HEARD YOU LIKE DOGS AND THAT YOU LIVE NEAR MY PLACE...
...SO I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE...
YOU ARE RYOHEI... AREN'T YOU?
I'M HARUKA KAMISHIRO!
I TRANS-FERRED TO YOUR CLASS LAST WEEK!
NICE TO MEET YOU!
.....
.....

KARNA! TENDO! LET'S GO!
BOW
IS HE BLOWING ME OFF...?
THERE'S A FORK IN THE ROAD AHEAD...
DON'T TAKE THE LEFT FORK!
HUH? WHY?
THERE'S A DOG BURIAL MOUND THERE.
IT'S...
...NOT GOOD FOR DOGS.
NOT GOOD FOR DOGS?
WHAT'S THAT MEAN...??
WELL, ANY-WAY...
...HE'S JUST LIKE THEY SAID.
IS THE PERSON WHO SITS HERE SICK? HE'S NEVER HERE...
OH, HIM...
YEAH, HE'S SICK ALL RIGHT...
HE'S RYOHEI FUSE, AND HE'S SICK IN THE HEAD!
HE SKIPS CLASS TO TAKE CARE OF HIS DOGS!
AND WHEN HE DOES COME, HE JUST SITS THERE ALL SULLEN. IT'S SCARY!

"RUDE" IS MORE LIKE IT...
WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?
HAF HAF
YIP?
YAP YAP YAP
MAY!
NO!
NOT AGAIN!
COME HERE, MAY! I SAID, COME!!
YAP YAP YAP
DON'T TAKE THE LEFT FORK!
OH, JEEZ...
MAY, YOU DUMMY! HE SAID IT WASN'T GOOD FOR DOGS!
SHUK SHUK SHUK
EEEEEEEE!!
MAY!
WHAT'S WRONG?!

MAY !!
WHAT HAP-PENED ?!
ARE YOU ALL...
WU FF
WU FF
WU FF

DAMN.
HH HHH
TENDO, KARNA-- STAY HERE!
SH K
SH K
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK

EASY... EASY...
HNNN
IT'S ALL RIGHT...
SHK SHK
.....
.....
DAMN.
SH SH SH...
COLD...
SNOW ?
THAT'S RIGHT... WE... WE MOVED... UP NORTH...
BUT WHERE AM I ?

OWF OWF
AND WHO... WHO IS SHE..?
THE DOGS ARE REST-LESS.
OWF
FEED THEM.
OWF
THIS IS...A CAVE...
OWF OWF
IS THAT MY HAND?
FWPP!
OWF OWF
WHAT AM I DOING...?
I'M GIVING FOOD... TO THE DOGS..
OH... WATER!
I HAVE TO GIVE THEM WATER TOO!
OWF OWF
BUT...
THAT'S NOT MY FACE...!
OWF
OWF

OWF
OWF
MAY...
??
OH!
OW WF
OWF
OWF
OWF
OW WFF
OWF
OW WF
OH !!
OWF
OWF
OW WFF

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
THE SAME DREAM??
OWWF
OWFF
OWWF
NO... NO DREAM.
HNNN...
HNNN...
MAY!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HER?!
SHE'S IN LABOR.
LABOR?!? THAT CAN'T BE...!
SHE IS PREGNANT, BUT SHE'S NOT DUE FOR A LONG...
RRRR

RRR
RIPPP
HSSSS!
OH, GOD!!
ARARARARAR
RRGL
SHLUP!
HHSSSSS!
GASP!
SHLUP
RRRRRRRRR
SHL

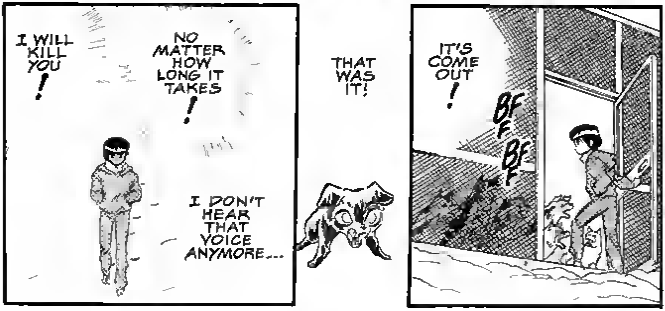
HS
SSSS
EEEEYYYIPE!
GRRR
SHU
SHU
ARRRR
NO. STAY.
IT'S DANGER-OUS....
GRUP
SNF SNF
GRR
HNN HNN

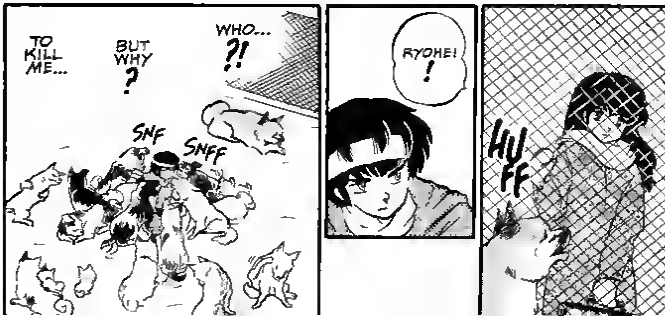
WHAT... WHAT...
...WAS THAT ??
DON'T LOOK.
MAY !
DON'T LOOK !!
I'M SORRY.
THE UN-BORN PUPS, TOO...
SHE'S... DEAD?
HNN HNN HNN HNN
THAT BURIAL MOUND... SOMETHING GOT MAY THERE...
AND IT... IT...
...GOT ME, TOO.
JUST BEFORE I PASSED OUT...
1:07 AM

SOMETHING CAME AT ME...
BUT WHAT... WHAT...?
OH!
THIS FACE... THE DREAM AGAIN...
WAKANAE!
WHO...?? IS THAT MY NAME?
WHO'S THIS...?
MY HEART'S BEATING FASTER...
I FEEL QUEASY...
OH GOD, HE'S COMING CLOSER!
COME LIVE WITH ME IN THE VILLAGE, WAKANAE.
HE... HE REMINDS ME...
KUGURA AND SHIGURA...
THEY BOTH LIKE YOU TOO.
...REMINDS ME OF... WHO?
BOOF!
I WON'T GO DOWN THE MOUNTAIN! SHE DID RAISE ME, EVEN IF SHE IS AS SHE IS!
EVEN IF SHE IS A MURDERER AND A THIEF...?!
HE MEANS THAT OLD WOMAN...
I CANNOT BETRAY HER!
HARUKA!
BETRAY... BETRAY... I HATE THAT WORD!

HARUKA!
WAKE UP!
YOU'LL BE LATE FOR SCHOOL!
SHOOP
OH... MOM, I HAD THE WEIRDEST DREAM!
HURRY UP!
IT'LL TAKE FOREVER TO GET THERE IN THIS SNOW.
I WISH POOR MAY WOULD COME BACK...
SHE MUST BE ALMOST DUE...
I COULDN'T TELL MY FAMILY... WHAT REALLY HAPPENED...
THE DOG MOUND? YOU'RE INTERESTED IN THAT SORT OF THING?
WELL... YOU KNOW...
THE ADULTS SAY THAT ALL THE DOGS THAT GO NEAR IT GO CRAZY.
CRAZY?
IT'S NOT JUST THE DOGS, EITHER!
WHEN RYOHEI WAS A KID HE WAS FOUND THERE KNOCKED OUT. IT'S AFTER THAT THAT HE WENT CRAZY!
RYOHEI?!!

SHKK
AS I THOUGHT...
I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING...
THERE'S NOTHING HERE NOW...

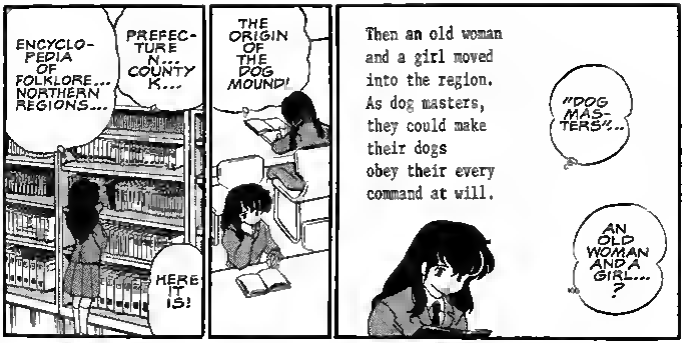

I WILL KILL YOU!
NO MATTER HOW LONG IT TAKES!
I DON'T HEAR THAT VOICE ANYMORE...
THAT WAS IT!
IT'S COME OUT!
BFF
BFF


TO KILL ME...
BUT WHY?
WHO...?!
SNF
SNFF
RYOHEI!
HUFF

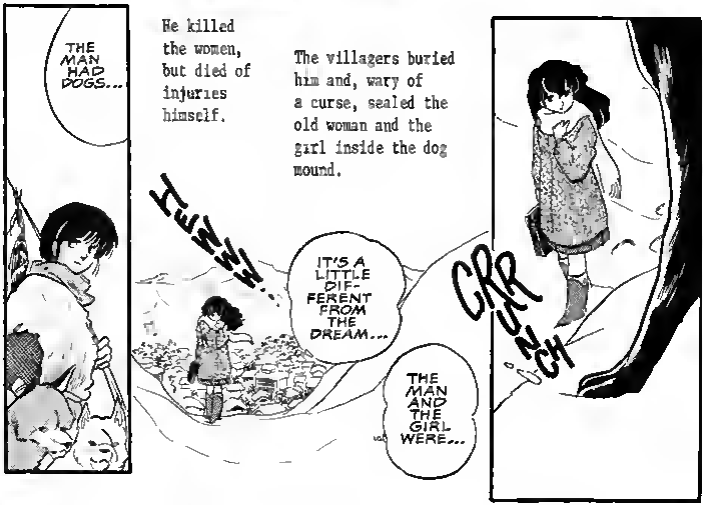
I HAVE TO TALK TO YOU. CAN I COME IN?
YOU CAN TALK FROM THERE!
I HEARD YOU PASSED OUT AT THE DOG MOUND WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE.
DO YOU REMEMBER IF... SOMETHING... CAME AT YOU?
A SORT OF... CLOUD?
A CLOUD??
NO, IT WASN'T LIKE THAT... IT WAS ALIVE!
YOU HAVE COME AT LAST!
AFTER WAITING SO LONG... SO LONG...
I WILL KILL YOU!
NO MATTER HOW LONG IT TAKES!
AND THEN...
RYOHEI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
HE'S BURNING UP...
I HAVE TO GET READY.
DOGS... GATHER DOGS...
HUMANS ARE NO GOOD! THEY'LL BETRAY YOU!

GET OUT!
WHAT...
ISN'T IT ENOUGH THAT MAY DIED?!
GET OUT!
COME LIVE WITH ME IN THE VILLAGE, WAKANAE.
HE'S LIKE...
...THE GUY IN MY DREAM..
NOT HIS FACE, BUT...
...BUT THE FEELING SOME-HOW...
TWEEEEEEEEEEE
A WHISTLE...
THE DREAM AGAIN!
OOF OOF
MANA-SHIRO!
THAT'S IT! GOOD BOY!
HAFF HAFF
PITI-FUL...
WAKANAE.. IS MANASHIRO THE ONLY DOG YOU CAN CONTROL?
WHAT GOOD ARE YOU?
IT WOULDN'T EVEN TAKE A DOG MASTER TO HANDLE ONE DOG!

"DOG MASTER"...?
THIS... IS NO ORDINARY DREAM...
THE "ME" IN THE DREAM... THAT'S...
...WHAT CAME OUT OF THE MOUND...
IT'S... INSIDE ME...??
SO THERE WAS SOMETHING ELSE...
...BESIDES THAT MALICIOUS PRESENCE...
AND IT ENTERED...
...THAT GIRL.
A GIRL...
BETRAYAL...
SNIF SNIF
HMM HMM
I DON'T UNDERSTAND...


ENCYCLOPEDIA OF FOLKLORE... NORTHERN REGIONS...
PREFECTURE N... COUNTY K...
HERE IT IS!
THE ORIGIN OF THE DOG MOUND!
Then an old woman and a girl moved into the region. As dog masters, they could make their dogs obey their every command at will.
"DOG MASTERS"...
AN OLD WOMAN AND A GIRL...?

With their dog packs, the two plundered travelers and slaughtered villagers.
The village dog master challenged them...


THE MAN HAD DOGS...
He killed the women, but died of injuries himself.
The villagers buried him and, wary of a curse, sealed the old woman and the girl inside the dog mound.
KEEN...
IT'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM THE DREAM...
THE MAN AND THE GIRL WERE...
CRR UNCH

HHHH...
RRRRR...
S-S-SOMEBODY...
I... I CAN'T MOVE...
RARRRH
AAAA!

MMFF
HUFF
HHRR
RRARRHH
HELP!!
WMMMP
SHHK
RRRRRRRRRR
RYOHEI'S DOGS...

SHHHK
R-RONG!...
RRR...
W-WAIT
SHK SHK
SHKK SHK

WAIT!
DON'T LEAVE ME!
TENDO! KARNA!
STAY WITH HER!
BFF
BUFF
DON'T LEAVE ME...
ARK ARK
SSHHHH
THAT'S IT!
THE MONSTER THAT CAME OUT OF MAY!
THAT STRANGE FEELING AGAIN...

SO YOU REMEMBER!
SHHFF
REMEM-BER... WHAT?
IF YOU DON'T...
...YOU CAN NEVER USE YOUR POWERS!
POWERS?!
WHAT POWERS?!?
HRRR...
I SHOULD FINISH YOU HERE..
NO...

.....?
STAY...
PLEASE.
HNN HNN
BOWFF
OWF OWF
BOOF
HAH HAH
WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU DIDN'T HURT YOUR LE--
SPLOCH
WHAT THE--
HOW COULD YOU LEAVE ME ALONE LIKE THAT!?
PAP
I WAS SO SCARED, I...
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR CHEEK...?
IT'LL GO AWAY.
DID THAT DOG...?
NO. IT JUST... APPEARS WHEN I GET EXCITED.

CAN I...
...SEE IT?
WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
I DON'T KNOW... I FEEL SO SAD...
THE OTHER ME...
...INSIDE... ME...
FORGIVE ME...
YOU THOUGHT...
I BE-TRAYED...
WHO...
...BE-TRAYED...?

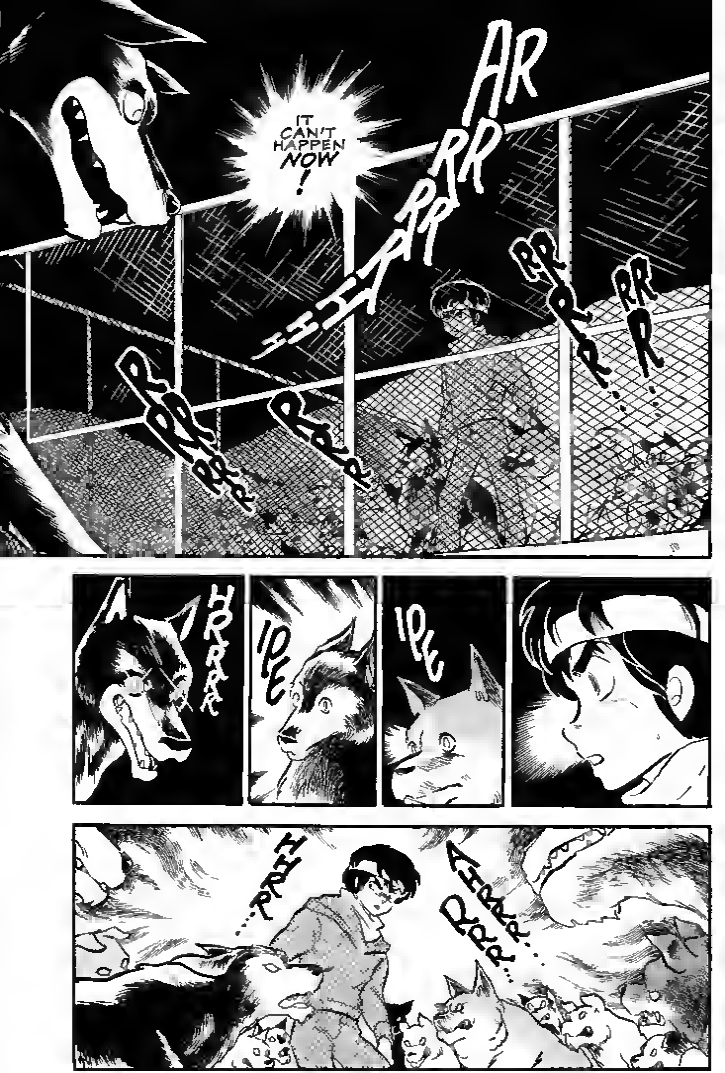
WHAT HAP-PENED...?
FOR-GIVE ME...
WAKANAE... IS THAT YOU?
SO WARM!
WHERE...?
SHKK
SHKK
WHAT DID I SAY...?
FOR-GIVE ME...
FORGIVE WHAT?
RYOHEI'S BACK...
SO WARM... SO...
SHKK
PUT ME DOWN...
SHE'LL SEE US...
A LITTLE FURTHER... A LITTLE MORE...
SHKK
YOUR BACK IS SO WARM.
SO ARE YOU.
YOU KEEP ME WARM.
SHKK
THIS FEEL-ING...
I FELT IT BEFORE... A LONG TIME AGO...
SHKK

CARRYING A GIRL LIKE THIS...
I CAN ALMOST SEE IT...
SHKK
BUT I DON'T WANT TO... THEN SOMETHING AWFUL...
DO YOU LOVE HIM...?
YES... VERY MUCH...
YOU ASKED FOR FORGIVENESS! FOR BETRAYING HIM!
NO!
THEN TELL ME...
OWFF OWFF OWFF
OHHH!
OWFF OWFF OWFF
THE DOGS...
MY MANA-SHIRO...

AAWOOOO
UFF
UFF
UFF
UFF
UFF
UFF
UFF
THE DREAM...
...AND THE LEGEND...
THE OLD WOMAN AND THE GIRL...
THE VILLAGE DOG MASTER CHALLENGED THEM...
THE GIRL... SHE'S NOT HERE!
WAKANAE! WHERE ARE YOU...?!
GOOD JOB, WAKA-NAE!
WHAT?

RRAARRH
MAYUMI!
GRR
WAKA-NAE!
WHY...??
THAT WOUND!
RYOHEI'S SCAR...
KUGU-RAAA!!
SHIGU-RAAA!!
HHRR
OWF
OWF
OW WF
WHY, WAKANAE? IF YOU LOVED HIM.... WHY?!
NO! I DIDN'T BETRAY HIM!
HY
RRR

RAGH
I WANTED... TO GO DOWN THE MOUNTAIN WITH HIM...
THAT'S WHY I STOOD... BEHIND HIM...
THERE WAS NO WAY I COULD FIGHT HER!
I TRIED TO STOP MANA-SHIRO...
BUT I WASN'T STRONG ENOUGH...
I COULDN'T SAVE HIM...
HHRRRR
HNN HNN HN
ARRR-ARR
THE DOGS ARE REST-LESS...
IT'S... HERE!
NO... DON'T LET HIM GO!
HE HASN'T AWOKEN YET!


IT CAN'T HAPPEN NOW!
AR
RRR
RRR
RR

AHR
NO!
HARR
KARNA!
TENDO!
ARH!
HHR
AARR
RARR
YOU'RE BEING CON-TROLLED !!
THAT DOG...
KUGURA!
SUGURA!
CON-TROL-LING...
MY DOGS !!
THOSE EYES !
I... REMEM-BER...
THOSE EYES !

SHHSST
WHMP
WHMP
KAMI
TENDO!
HYIPE?

HEHEHE
SNIFF
GRRR
YOU HAG!
HAVEN'T YOU HAD ENOUGH !?!
RRRR
FMP
BM
WHY HAVE YOU COME FOR ME AGAIN ?!?
HAVEN'T YOU KILLED ME ONCE ALREADY ?!?
HHS ST
HH H!
ASHIRO!

WAKA-NAE! AGAIN...?!?
WHMP
I DIDN'T BETRAY YOU!
THEN... OR NOW!
OWF OWF
HOOO HOOO

SHKK
SHHKK
SHE DIDN'T... BETRAY ME?!
SHE DIDN'T BETRAY ME?!
BOW
BOW
BOW
ARH
IPE
IPE
IPE
I'LL KILL YOU HOWEVER MANY TIMES IT TAKES!
ING
ING
GR
AA
SHFF
HU
ID
E
ARK
ARK
WP
WP
HHHFF
FFF
YOUR DOGS KILLED ME!
AND SO I WILL KILL YOU!

RRRHHR
OWOW OW
ARK ARK
YOU AND THE GIRL!!
HR RR
UH...
WHD
KRRA
WHY THE GIRL?!
OW OW OWF
SHF F
RFF RFF
WAKA-NAE...
KUGURA...
SHI... GU... RA...

SHE USED YOUR DOGS!
WAKA-NAE...
BOTH OF YOU!
I'LL KILL YOU BOTH!
ARRHH
SHHUKK

SK SH HH
GL GG
SSS GGG SH H
WH UK
HARFF
ARH
ARK
NN HN
ARK ARK
HRR HRR
AR K
AR K

HSSS

SHUP
.....
.....
IT'S OVER...
I WAS RE-TURNED TO THIS WORLD...
...FOR THIS.
WAKA-NAE...
AND NOW...
WAKA-NAE, WAIT!
ARE YOU GOING TO LEAVE ME...?!

DON'T YOU WANT TO STAY WITH HIM...?!
CAN I...?
CAN I REST IN-SIDE YOU?
I'LL SLEEP NOW.
YOU SHOULD SLEEP TOO... AND FORGET.
WAKA-NAE...
RYOHEI...
SAY...
WHAT WAS YOUR NAME AGAIN?
WHAT...?

HARUKA..
YOU MEAN YOU FORGOT ?!
CLIMB ON... HARUKA!
BUT YOUR ARM...
IT'S ALL RIGHT!
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY?
YEAH...
...IT'S WARMER THIS WAY.

TFT
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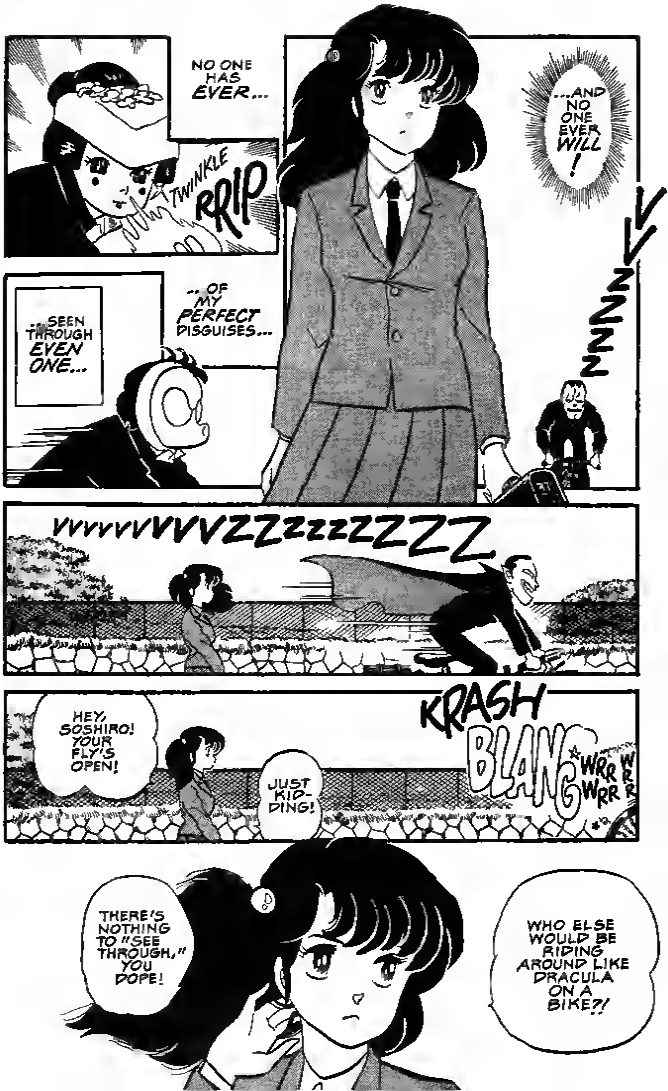
THE FACE PACK

I AM...
WIIIIN
DING
GZ...D
DON'T STARE!
...NOT ULTRA-MAN!
RRRIP
NOR PON-POKO!
RRIPP
WOW
F!
EEP!
DON'T WORRY...
VVNNNN
I'M NO WERE-WOLF, EITHER!
I AM SOSHIRO OMOTE, THE PRESIPENT OF...
RRIP
...THE FACE PACK!


NO ONE HAS EVER...
TWINKLE
RRIP
...AND NO ONE EVER WILL!
VVVVVV
...OF MY PERFECT DISGUISES...
...SEEN THROUGH EVEN ONE...
VVVVVVVVVZZZZZZZZZ
HEY, SOSHIRO! YOUR FLY'S OPEN!
JUST KID-DING!
KRASH
BLANG
WRR WRR WRR
THERE'S NOTHING TO "SEE THROUGH," YOU DOPE!
WHO ELSE WOULD BE RIDING AROUND LIKE DRACULA ON A BIKE?!

VVVVVVV...
EVERYONE PRETENDS NOT TO KNOW YOU BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO ASSOCIATE WITH YOU!
GET IT?!
YEAH, MEIKO, I GET IT...
THEN THAT MEANS...
...YOU DO WANT TO ASSOCIATE WITH ME, EH?!
HEH HEH C'MERE LI'L GIRL!
EEP!
DON'T BE DISGUSTING!
I'M EXPOSED!
RR RIP P
STOP IT!
YEZ, MA'AM, HA'HA HAAAH!
RR IP
I'LL NEVER WEAR ANOTHER DISGUISE, MA'AM, UH-UH, NO WAY!
RR IP PP
I... SAID...
STOP IT!!
BELAAAAH!
POOH.
MENKUI HIGH
RRRP
RIP

CLAP CLAP
3-F
FLAW-LESS!
CLAP CLAP
AND THEY SAID A GIRL COULD NEVER CUT IT IN THE FACE PACK!
YOU MADE ME DO IT!
YOU THINK I WANT PEOPLE TO ASSOCIATE ME WITH YOU?!
SOSHIRO, HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN THE PACK'S OATH?
KLUNK
NO RANDOM DISGUISES IN PUBLIC!
LOOK WHO'S TALK-ING!
EXCUSE ME...
PERHAPS YOU'VE FORGOTTEN THAT WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF CLASS?
N-N-NO SIR!!

TAP TAP TAP
TAP TAP
FIRE
FIRE
FIRE
FIRE
SKWEE
SKWEE
SKWEE
SKWEE
AWP
SOSHIRO! COME TO MY OFFICE!
TAP TAP
HE SAW THROUGH OUR DISGUISES IN A GLANCE!
CLAIR-VOYANT PRINCI-PAL!
AND THOSE FOUR IDENTICAL FACES WERE SO PER-FECT...

HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO CONTINUE THIS NONSENSE?
WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN CLUB ACTIVITIES!
I UNDERSTAND YOU'RE TAKING MONEY TO SUBSTITUTE FOR OTHER STUDENTS IN DETENTION!
WELL, DISGUISE SUPPLIES DON'T COME CHEAP...
WHAM!
I WILL NOT ALLOW DECEPTION!
HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED MY POSITION IN THIS SCHOOL...?!
I'M FLATTERED... BUT DO YOU THINK I'M QUALIFIED?
HOW CAN A MORON LIKE YOU... ...BE RELATED TO ME?!
ARE YOU MY SON?
YOU... ARE MY SON!
IT CAN'T BE!
AND YET...
...THERE IS A RESEMBLANCE!

HA HA HA!
SOSHIRO !!
UM... SIR?
FEH!
OLD FUDDY-DUDDY!
RRIP
HEY, SOSHIRO!
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU!
LISTEN, I GOT ROPED INTO A DATE WITH THE NEW GIRL.
IF YOU COULD TAKE CARE OF IT FOR ME...
YOU KNOW THE PRICE.
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME!
MAN, SHE'S REALLY CUTE!
WELL, SINCE IT'S NOT "ME"...
I MAY AS WELL...
HI! DID YOU WAIT LONG?
N-N-NO.
.....
.....
GULP...
AH, THE AWKWARDNESS OF YOUTH.

IS... IS SOMETHING WRONG?
YOU DON'T LOOK QUITE YOURSELF TODAY!
I... D-D-D-D-D...
UM... IT'S...
...IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL!
OH...!
KONK
MY PASSION OVERWHELMS ME...!
OH...
WAIT!
YOU HAVE A STRING ON YOUR FACE...
POING
BZZZ
FLAP FLAP FLAP
WOOOOOOOOO...
FLAP FLAP FLAP
M-MY GOD!
I NEVER KNEW YOU LOOKED SO...
DULL!
SO PLAIN! SO VACANT! SO STUPID!!
JAB JAB

BEL
AAAAA
M-M-MEIKO...?!
YOU IDIOT!!
RRRR
SO IS THIS A "CLUB ACTIVITY"?!?
I'D NEVER HAVE LET HIM!
OH, GET OFF IT!
IF THE REAL GUY CAME ON TO YOU LIKE THAT, YOU WOULD'VE--
...I NEVER DID THIS BEFORE!
YOU GOTTA BELIEVE ME...
HECK, I DIDN'T EVEN DO IT THIS TIME!
A GIRL DOESN'T MAKE OUT WITH JUST ANYBODY!
IT HAS TO BE... THE ONE SHE REALLY...
WHY WOULD I BELIEVE YOU?!
WHAT DID I DO?!

CLUBS
EATERY
TODAY'S PROFIT... FIFTY-THREE HUNDRED YEN!
'CEPT THE PRICE OF MAKE-UP HAS GONE UP...
NOT TOO BAD!
CHKK
WHEW! THAT WAS ROUGH!
HOW DID YOU MAKE OUT? --I MEAN, DO?
THE WAGES OF SIN!
CLINK
RRR
HEY!!
WH-WHA-A-AA-T?
FIRST P.C. PRESIDENT
NO PUBLIC DISPLAYS
NO BREAKING THE LAW!
NO PERSONAL PROFIT
TH-THIS MES-SAGE!!
GASP!
I CAN'T READ HIS FACE...!
I WAS JUST TRYING TO RELIEVE THE TENSION.
TRY RELIEVING THE STU-PIDITY!!

"NO PUBLIC DISPLAYS."
"NO PERSONAL PROFIT."
"NO BREAKING THE LAW."
THE THREE ARTICLES OF OUR CLUB CONSTITUTION...
...BUT DO WE EVER FOLLOW THEM?
THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT, HUH...?
...IT MUST BE A WARNING.
FIRST F.C. PRESIDENT
IF THE CLUB'S FIRST PRESIDENT REALLY WROTE THIS...
OUR FIRST PRESIDENT
FWAP
FACE PACK PAGEANT OF PRESIDENTS
WHAT A GEEK! POSIN' IN DISGUISE!
THIS DOESN'T HELP US AT ALL!
HMM...
FACE PACK

IT'S CLEAR THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH SOMEONE VERY ODD...
YES ODD
VERY ODD
WELL, WE CAN'T LET OURSELVES BE INTIMIDATED BY SOME HAS-BEEN WEIRDO WE'VE NEVER EVEN SEEN!
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THAT...?
BOOP
THIS GUY MUST BE PRETTY GOOD.
YOU DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE THAT FACE THING BEING DONE TO YOU?
WELL, I WAS WRESTLING, GOT TAKEN DOWN...
...I CAN'T THINK WHEN ELSE...
YOU MUST BE DENSER THAN I THOUGHT.
THE GUY MUST BE A MASTER!
YEAH, LIKE YOU'RE A MASTER... OF DENSITY!
NO PROBLEM
I AM NOT DENSE!!
THEN WHY ARE YOU TEARING OFF YOUR REAL FACE?
DON'T CHANGE THE SUBJECT!!

I SAY WE DO BUSINESS AS USUAL!
CAN YOU TAKE MY CLAIM!?
NO, THAT'S A SIN!
IT'S PROBABLY JUST A BLUFF!
ACHOO
EEEK! HIS NOSE FELL OFF!!
SO...
THEY IGNORED MY WARNING, EH?
THEN THEY WILL HAVE TO LEARN...
...AND THE LEARNING WON'T BE EASY.
FLIP
FLAP
SO ALL I HAVE TO DO IS SHOW UP?
PRETTY MUCH.
THANKS A LOT!
FUNNY... NEVER SEEN HIM AROUND...
.....
....
WOOOOOOOOO...

GULP...
THAT'S THE GUY!!
HE PREY ON MY HEAD AND FACE!!
DOOOM
KRAK KRAK
MEBBE I DRAW ON HIS FACE!
STAGGER
UHHH...
I REALLY SHOULD'VE ASKED FOR MORE MONEY...
HUH?
CLUBS
SOSHIRO! YOU TOO...?!
HMMOOOOOOOO
THE MORE I THINK ABOUT THIS...
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
YEAH!
...I COULD SURE GO FOR SOME RAMEN TOO!
KLUNK
FLOMP

NOT RAMEN !!
BOOM
IT WAS THE FIRST PRESIDENT'S TRAP !
BANG
!?
HEY, WHERE'S MEIKO ?!
SAY, COME TO THINK OF IT...
OOF!
NOT HER, TOO... !
WHAAK
SLAM
MEIKO !!
SORRY I'M LATE.
WHAT'S UP?
BEAM
MUSHKH
VERY FUNNY.
BELAAAAU
UEE...
OOF...

YOU MEAN IT...?
YOU WERE WORRIED ABOUT ME...?
.....
.....
VVVNNNNNN
SOSHIRO...
DO... DO YOU...
VVVZZZZZZZZZZZZ
MY GOODNESS! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
OUCH! DON'T TOUCH!
THERE ISN'T AN UN-SORE PLACE ON MY BODY!
I HOPE YOU'RE NOT IN-VOLVED IN ANYTHING DANGER-OUS.
I'M FINE!
I WILL NOT BE INTIMI-DATED!

WANNA COME OVER TO MY PLACE THIS SUNDAY?
WHAT?
I WANT TO TALK TO YOU IN PRIVATE!
TH-THIS IS SO SUDDEN...
SUDDENLY, SUNDAY...
I HAVE ALWAYS LOVED YOU...
NO, IT CAN'T BE!
OH, SORRY, MISS!
I'M THE PAINTER!
.....
.....
BLOOD
omote

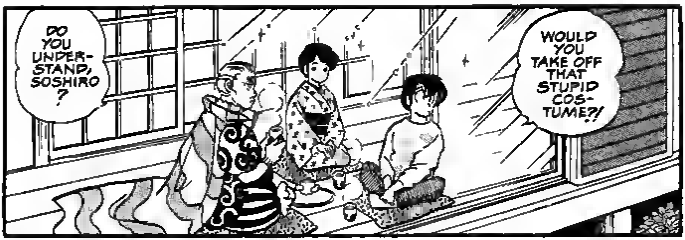
HURRY! HURRY!!
YOU'VE GOTTA WASH YOUR CLOTHES!
YOU'VE GOTTA TAKE A BATH!
VROOM
W-W-WAIT A MINUTE...
SLAM
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE...?
WELL, I CAN'T GO HOME LIKE THIS, SO...
OH WELL!
TUP TUP TUP
CHK
ZZZ
BLOOEY
YOW!
WH-WHAT WAS THAT--?!?
TUP TUP TUP
YUCK!
THIS WATER'S MUDDY!
STOMP STOMP

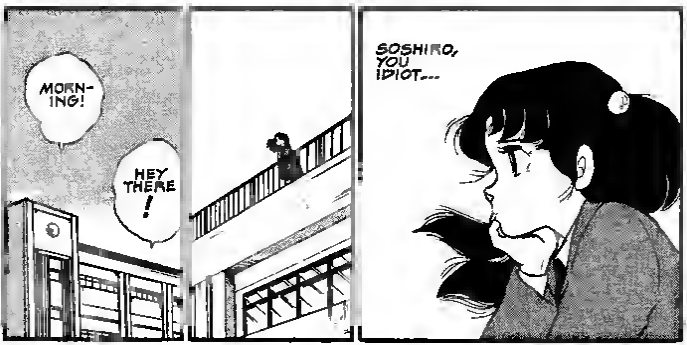
EEE EEE!
CHK
M--MEIKO?
HWOOOOOO
BONG
SLAM
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO RESORT TO THIS!
IDIOT!
MEIKO!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT--
BAM
YOU--YOU SCUM!!
SO THAT'S WHAT YOU PLANNED!
HUH? WHAT?

SLAM
TUP TUP
HMM!
INTERNE-CINE CON-FLICT.
WH-WHO ARE YOU?!
HEH HEH HEH...
FWISH
HA HA HA HA HA
Y-Y-YOU'RE... YOU'RE...
WHO ARE YOU?!
THE FIRST PRESI-DENT, YOU IMBE-CILE!!

I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE...
...BUT YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR!!
MORON!
HE WHO ABUSES DISGUISE...
...SHALL BE RUINED BY DISGUISES!
A SMOKE SCREEN!
POOOOF
KOFF
POOF
KOFF KOFF
POOF POOF
POOOOF
AHAHAHAHA
WHA...?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, DEAR?
PROVING YOU STILL FIT INTO YOUR OLD HIGH SCHOOL COSTUME?
SCRABBLE
POOF POOF
I AM THE F-F-FIRST...
DAD! IS THAT YOU?!
HONEY, WOULD YOU LIKE SOME TEA?
I'D LOVE SOME
RRIP
THE PURPOSE OF DISGUISE IS CONCEALMENT!
THE WEAKLING WHO USES IT FOR PUBLICITY OR PROFIT...
...WILL SOON USE IT TO HIDE FROM REALITY!
HMPH
NO PUBLIC DISPLAYS! NO PERSONAL PROFIT! NO BREAKING THE LAW!
THESE ARE THE TENETS ON WHICH YOUR STRENGTH DEPENDS!


DO YOU UNDER-STAND, SOSHIRO?
WOULD YOU TAKE OFF THAT STUPID COS-TUME?!

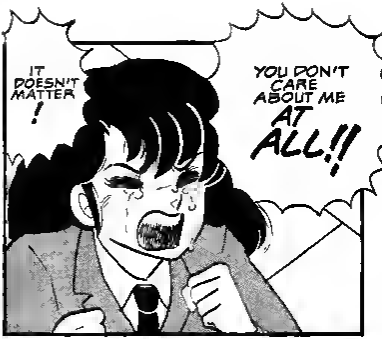

MORN-ING!
HEY THERE!
SOSHIRO, YOU IDIOT...

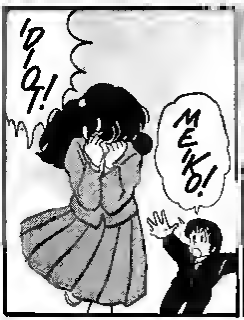
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO RESORT TO THAT...
IF YOU HAD JUST TREATED ME NICELY...
MEIKO!

.....
.....
CUT IT OUT!
I'M MAD AT YOU!
I'M SORRY, MEIKO...
REALLY.
RO
ID
WHAT MAKES ME SO MAD...
...IS THE WAY YOU DID IT!
IT WASN'T ME!
IT WAS THE FIRST PRESIDENT'S TRICK!
URK
YOU MEAN... HE...?
HUH?
DID YOU SEE ANYTHING?
.....
.....
J-JUST A LITTLE..
I-I-I MEAN, NOTHING...
I MEAN, IT HAPPENED SO FAST...

SO IT WAS YOU WHO SAW ME!
W-W-WELL, YEAH, BUT...
WHEW!
...IT'S NOT LIKE I WANTED TO SEE ANYTHING!
!
I SEE.
WELL THEN...
...EX-CUUUSE ME!!
I'M SORRY TO HAVE EXPOSED YOU TO SOMETHING SO REVOLTING!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!?
I QUIT!! I HATE YOU!!
NO, WAIT A MINUTE!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU---?!
LET ME GO!
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO SAY?!?
DON'T YOU GET IT?!

DO I HAVE TO SPELL IT OUT FOR YOU--?!?
M-M-MEIKO...


IT DOESN'T MATTER!
YOU DON'T CARE ABOUT ME AT ALL!!


DIG!
MEIKO!

SLIP
KRAK

S...S... SOSHIRO...?

SOSHIRO!

BOOOO!!

END OF RUMIC WORLD TRILOGY 3.

TFT
The Furry Triangles
We Love Beavers